

Engraved map with hand colouring.

SPEED’S MAP OF THE NETHERLANDS

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Author
SPEED, John

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[1631].

Publisher

Publication place
[London],

Physical description
Engraved map with hand colouring.

Dimensions
416 by 518mm. (16.5 by 20.5 inches).

Notes
A carte-à-figure map of the Netherlands, with a decorative border showing the native costume of different regions and views of major cities.

John Speed (1552-1629) was the outstanding cartographer of his age. His ‘Theatre of Great Britain’, first published in 1611 or 1612, was the first atlas of Great Britain: Speed prepared the maps himself about two years before they were published. This map is from the ‘Prospect of the Most Famous

Parts of the World', produced in collaboration with Speed to accompany the 'Theatre' and published in a joint edition by George Humble in 1631. Many of the maps were anglicized versions of works by Dutch makers, who introduced the carte-à-figure style, with borders of figures in local costume and city views.

Bibliography
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