

Etching.

HOLLAR’S PORTRAIT OF A TURKISH MAN

[Print of man in turban with moustache]

Author
HOLLAR, W[enceslaus]

Publication date
1645.

Publisher

Publication place
Antwerp,

Physical description
Etching.

Dimensions
86 by 67mm. (3.5 by 2.75 inches). Plate size: 80 by 60mm.

Notes
In 1645, after his escape from the Parliamentary forces that had captured him as part of the Royalist regiment and his return to Antwerp, Hollar published a portrait that he had drawn upon arriving in England in 1637. The image shows a moustached Turkish man wearing a large turban held in place by a jewelled chain, and a large jacket over an embroidered doublet. It is unclear whether the series of portraits drawn by Hollar in the late 1630s and published in 1645 are based on actual people Hollar had interacted with.

Bibliography
Met 17.3.3117; NHG Hollar 817 III; Pennington 2010.

Provenance

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