



A scarce pocket-sized volume on military strategy, written by Captain Francesco Ferretti, was published in Italy from 1580. Chapter eight includes twenty eight uniform maps of islands, often after Girolamo Porro (see 1572).

The seas are alive with monsters on these enchanting little plates which, according to the engraved title-page, were engraved in 1579 by Michel'Angelo Marelli.

Each circular map has a rectangular frame, 85/88 x 129/132 mm., with the title in the top panel, commencing with the words *Ragione vol' Forma et vera postvra del' Isola di*, followed by the name of the island:

*Rodi; Candia; Cerigo [Kythera]; Milo; Tino; Andria; Neesia; Lango [Kos]; Caloger [Caloiero]; Calamo; Lezzo [Leros]; Pactino; Samo; Stalimini [Limnos]; Scio [Chios]; Metellino [Lesbos]; Schizzo [Skyros]; Dromo et Serachino [Alonissos]; Negroponte; Cipro; Malta; Sicilia; Elba; Corsica; Sardegna; Maiorica; Minorica; Ingliterra [Great Britain].*

The map of Britain has no trace at all of Ireland in the sea to the west and is the only island not in the Mediterranean.

*Diporti notturni.* Ancona, Francesco Salvioni, 1580.

*Dialoghi notturni.* Ancona, Giovanni B. Ciotti, 1604.

*Arte militare.* Ancona, Francesco Manolesso, 1608.

