

1616

Jodocus Hondius Junior



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Jodocus Hondius' elder son of the same name is comparatively unknown, but he drew, engraved and published what is undoubtedly the finest set of miniature maps ever printed. Their only close rivals are those by his Uncle (see 1598a). Measuring about 135 x 95 mm., they are a little larger than their forerunners from the Low Countries.



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These superb maps were mostly either copied from the series mentioned above, or reduced from those in the famous folio Gerard Mercator/Jodocus Hondius *Atlas*. There are some exceptions though and the Ptolemaic world is a miniature version of the 1590 classical map in Abraham Ortelius' *Parergon*. This is one of only four signed by Hondius; the others being *Galliae Belgicae* and the terrestrial and celestial hemispheres. The last of these and the map of Connaught are both dated 1616, the only dated ones.



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The 219 plates, with the oval world map appearing twice, were produced to illustrate a new seven book version of the geography of Petrus Bertius (see 1598a) published in 1616. Their correct attribution therefore is by Hondius and from Bertius, who was only responsible for revising his text again. Their titles are sometimes in ornate cartouches:

Typus orbis terrarum / Domini est terra et plenitudo eius; Globus coelestris / Auctore Iudoco Hondio A°.1616; Typus orbis terrarum / Iudocus Hondius;

Regiones hyperboreæ; delineatio Spitsbergiæ; Groenland; Islandia; Novæ Zemlæ delineatio (see Introduction 2); Delineatio Freti Vaigats;

Magellanica sive Terra Australis Incognita; Nova Guinea et Ins. Salomonis; Magellanici Freti delineatio;

Europa; Anglia Scotia et Hibernia; Hibernia; Hibernia Septentr. in qua Ultonia Connatia; Connatia. 1616; Media; Hibernia Austral. in qua Momonia Lagenia; Lagenia; Udrone; Magna Britannia; Scotia*; Scotia Septentrion.; Scotia Australis; Anglia*; Northumbr. Cumberlan. Dunelm. Episcop.; Westmorlād: Lancastria Cestria etc.; Cambria; Cornub. Devonia Somerset etc.; Eboracum Lincolnia Derbia Staffordia etc.; Warwicum Northāpton Hunting. etc.; Anglesey Ins. / Wight ol. Vectis / Garnesay / Ins. Iarsay;*

Hispania; Portugallia*; Galecia; Legio; Guipuscoa et Biscaia; Andaluzia; Baia de Cadiz; Estremadura; Castilia vetus et Nova; Granada et Murcia; Valentia; Catalonia et Aragonia; Navarra; Majorcæ et Minorcæ descrip;*

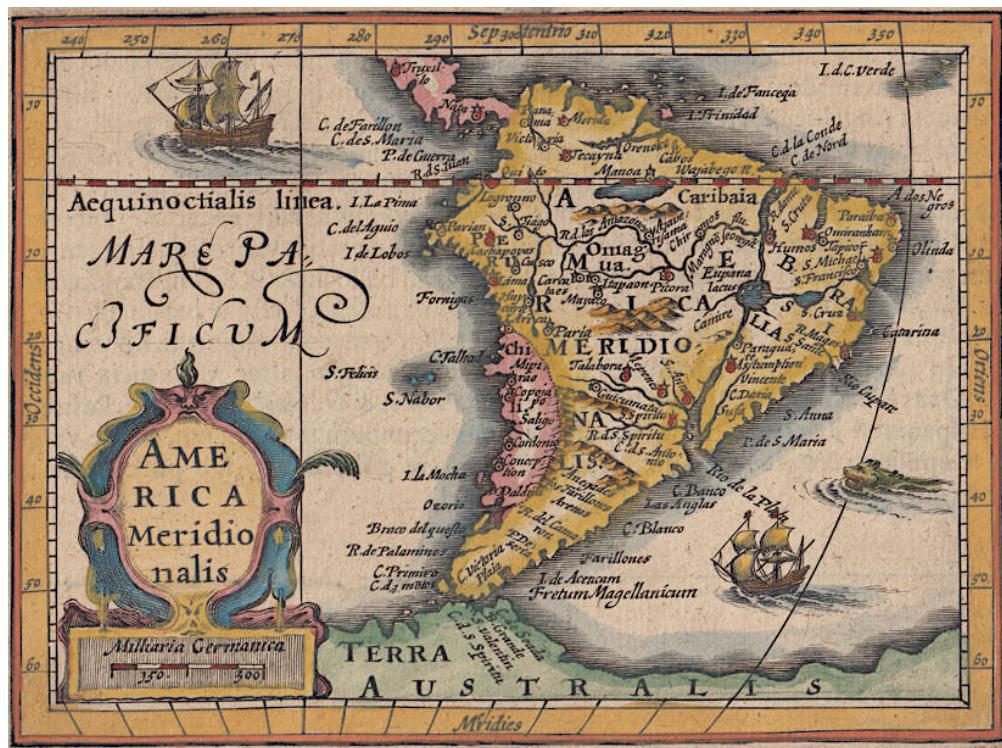
Gallia; Benearnia et Bigornia; Guascogne; Poictou; Biturigum Borbonium et Turena in Gallia Aqui.; Lemovicum; Langvedoc; Provence; Comit. Avenionensis; Davphine; Sabavdia; Lionnois; Britannia; Normandia; Aniou et Lemaine; Belsia; Franciæ Comitatus; Champaigne; Burgundia Comitatus; Burgundia Ducatus; Galliæ Belgicæ veteris accurata descriptio amico colendo d°. P Bertio I Hondius Dt.; Caletum et Bolonia; Picardia; Artesia;

Frandria; Brabantia; Zealandia; Hollandia; Hollandia meridional.; Arx Britannica or Huys te Britten (see 1635); Hollandia Septentr; De Zype; Veromandui; Hannonia; Namur; Leodiensis Dioecesis; Lotaringia Ducatus; Lutzenburg; Limburgum; Gulick; Clivia; Geldria; Helvetia; Valesia; Wiflispurgergow; Argow; Zvrichgow; Alsatia; Westrasia; Provincia Trevirensis; Coloniensis Dioecesis; Germania; Inferior Germania; Ultrajectum; Trans-Isula D.; Frisia; Frisia orientalis; Westphalia; Hassiæ Descriptio; Descriptio comitatus Nassovi Cattimeliboci; Thietmarsia; Dania; Suecia et Norvegia etc.; Gotia; Pomerania; Brandenburg; Saxonia; Silesia; Bohemia; Franconia; Palatinatus Rheni; Saltzburg et Carinthia; Austria; Bavaria Ducatus; Norici; Hungaria; Trässilvania; Illyricum; Liburnia; Tirol;

Italia; Histria; Forum Iulii; Patavinum ter.; Veronensis Ager; Brixtensis Episcopatus; Crema; Milanese; Cremonensis Ager; Larius lacus; Piedmont; Thuscia; Senense Territorium; Tractus Perusinus; Ager Orivetanus; Marchia Anconitana; Latium sive Campania di Roma; Regnum Neapolitanum; Abruzzo; Sardinia; Corsica; Elba; Ischia insula; Sicilia; Malta;

Livoniae descrip.; Gotland; Prussia; Polonia; Oswieczimensis et Zatoriensis Ducat.;

Corfu; Graecia; Morea; Cefalonia; Zante Insula; Candia;

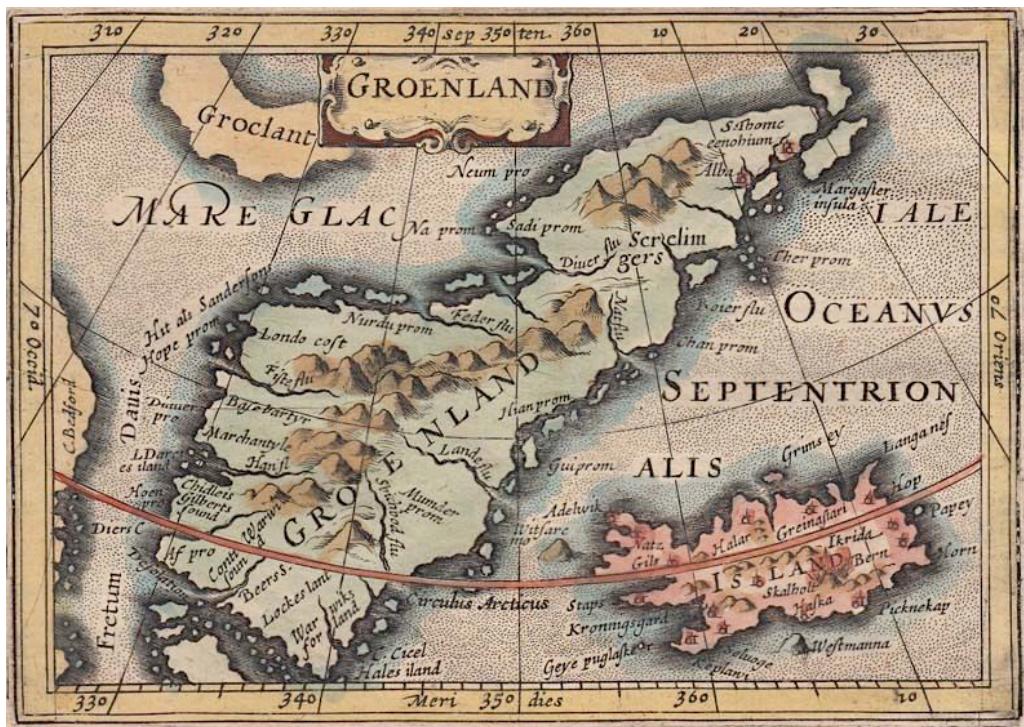


*Africa; Aegyptus; Mare Rvbrvm; Abissinorvm Imperium; Africae pars meridional.; Insula
& Arx Mosambiqve; I.S. Lauretij sive Madagascar; Barbaria; Tunetanum Regnum; Gvinea;
Congo Regnum Christian. in Africa; Canariæ I.; Insulae Capitis Viridis; Sancta Helena;
Insula St. Thomæ;*

Asia; Natolia; Scio; Rhodi; Russia; Tartaria; Cyprus; Tabula Cananæ Æ prout tempore Christi et Apostolorum divisafuit; Arabia; Persicum Regnum; Ormus regnum; India orientalis; Cambaia; Malabar; Narsinga; Bengala; Arachan & Pegv; Malacca; China; Insul Maldivæ / Ceylon. I.; Svatra insula; Borneo insula; Iava maior; Moluccæ insulæ; Philippinæ Insulæ; Iapan; Turcicum Imperium;

America; Virginia et Nova Francia; Tercera; Iucatana; Cuba et Iamaica; Hispaniola; Nova Hispania; Mexico (see Introduction 8); *America meridionalis; Peru; Chili; Brasilia;*

Descriptio orbis Ptolomaica / Excusum et cœlatum a Judoco Hondio Amsterodami in platea vitulina prope curiam; Typus orbis terrarum / Domini terra et plenitudo eius.



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In 1618 the original Latin edition was reissued with just the date retouched and a new French one was published too. The authorship of the plates is clearly stated in the engraved French title: *La Geographie racourcie de Pierre Bertius, cosmographe du roy tres-crestien, comprise en sept livres avec des belles cartes géographiques de nouveau tirées et exactement taillez par Iudocus Hondius, avec privilege*. However, some copies of the French edition have the engraved Latin title-page instead of the French one, possibly because the latter became damaged during printing.

In 1621 Jodocus' younger brother Henricus Hondius used some of the maps to illustrate an edition of Paul Merula's *Cosmographia*, with the terrestrial hemispheres on the titlepage. The rest of the maps appeared within the text: *Europa*; twelve of Spain and Portugal; twenty-four of France; nineteen of Italy. The colophon indicates that it was printed at Leiden by Isaac Elzevier in 1620. A Dutch translation by Nicolas de Clerck of *Le Monde* by D.T.V.Y. (Pierre d'Avity) contained about forty of the maps: *Wereld spiegel*, Amsterdam, Johann E. Cloppenburgh, 1621.



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After the death of Jodocus Junior in 1629 all the plates came into the possession of Willem J. Blaeu, who issued twenty of them relating to the Low Countries in his 1635 pocket version of Lodovico Guicciardini (see 1635). He then published his own edition of Paul Merula which was a pocket version, usually bound in six volumes with the same maps as in 1621. However, the first three volumes had the imprint of Willem and the last three that of Johann. Volume three was dated 1635 and the rest 1636. Willem J. Blaeu used all of the plates in 1637 for a very rare pocket world atlas which had four extra maps: *Brie*; *Bresciano*; *I. Negroponte*; *Fretum Magelanicum*.

Nineteen of the twenty maps relating to the British Isles (not *Udrone*) were reissued with plain backs in 1639 by the heirs of Willem J. Blaeu, in the second edition of his abridgement of William Camden's *Britannia* with text by Regner Vitellius. This was first issued with plates by Pieter van den Keere (see 1617). The nineteen maps finally appeared in William Camden's *Rerum Anglicarum*, published at Leiden in 1639 by Bonaventura and Abraham Elzevir, who had acquired all the plates.

There was a late issue of Hondius' celestial chart, *Globus coelestris / Auctore Iudoco Hondio A. 1616*, when it appeared facing page 156 in Henricus Regius' *Philosophia naturalis*, Amsterdam, Louis & Daniel Elzevir, 1661. However, the lettering in the panels was retouched: *Globus coelestis. pag. 156 / Cæli enarrant gloriam dei.*

The British Isles plates include five miniature versions of Gerard Mercator's English regional maps and a good-looking *Magna Britannia* with north to the right. The individual ones of England, Scotland and Ireland, together with both Spain and Portugal, are the only prints in the series to be signed by the engraver Salomon Rogiers*. That of the whole British Isles looks to be his work too and, as with both England and Ireland, incorporates John Speed's improvements to the mapping of the Isle of Man and Ireland. Salomon Rogiers also worked for Jodocus Hondius Junior on other projects and it seems likely on stylistic grounds that he engraved far more plates in this series than the few he actually signed.



P. Bertii Tabularum geographicarum contractarum libri septem. Amsterdam, Jodocus Hondius Junior, 1616, 1618, 1618 (French text).

La Géographie racourcie de Pierre Bertius. Amsterdam, Jodocus Hondius Junior, 1618.
Atlas minor. Amsterdam, Willem J. Blaeu, 1737 i.e. 1637.

