

Serious collectors need to contact the antique map and print sellers found around the world. All dealers have little items from time to time and some more than others, but nowadays material which was once fairly easy to acquire is becoming much more difficult to find. There are few printed catalogues today but the internet is now widely used. The three main annual events are the Miami International Map Fair held early in the year, the IMCoS Map Fair held in London every summer and the Paris Map Fair held in the autumn. Maps may also be found at the many antiquarian book fairs and local antiques fairs.



Theodore de Bry, Frankfurt, 1613

This website is an attempt to provide information about miniature antique maps, charts, plans and atlases, recording details of as many as possible. Again, no impossible claim is made to being exhaustive. References are made whenever possible to published sources. The pages are arranged chronologically, which helps to give a historical perspective. A reference number, which is based on the date of first issue, together with the name of the mapmaker, are given at the head of each entry, which concludes with bibliographical source information. The titles of atlases, books and individual maps are in italics and very long book titles, which are quite common, may be abbreviated rather than given in full. Dates and names in parentheses are conjectural. Every effort has been made to find good illustrations and their sources acknowledged. Where dimensions are stated, the width is first for maps but the height is first for books.

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