



The first British atlas map of Wales

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 Wales.

London: George Humble, 1627. Coloured. 385 x 515mm.

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Engraved by Jodocus Hondius, this is the most decorative map of the country, with twelve large prospects of the Shire Towns, four smaller ones of the Cathedral Cities, four armorials and a large compass rose. As neither Saxton's atlas nor Camden's 'Britannia' contained a map of the country this is the first map of Wales to appear in a British atlas. With an English text on the reverse.

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