



*Silent World Map (1265), Oxford, Ms. Bodl. Douce 319, fol. 8r, Bodlain Library, University of Oxford. Like Arabic maps (e.g. Idrīsī) the world map is oriented towards the South. The circumnavigability of Africa and the open Indian Ocean (in Arabic tradition contrary to the later Ptolemaic World Maps) are clearly visible. Cartographical knowledge which has gone lost a century later in Constantinople. It clearly resembles, in outline, the famous Fra Mauro planisphere of 1459 (#249)*