



Latone And The Peasants Of Lycia, Oil On Canvas Of The Eighteenth Century

4 800 EUR



Signature : Suiveur de Jean JOUVENET

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

Length : 72 cm et 94 cm avec le cadre

Height : 66 cm et 88 cm avec le cadre

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Description

Large mythological painting representing the legend of Latona, from Ovid's metamorphoses. it is a large oil on canvas from the 18th century with a very beautiful pyramidal composition: in its center we see the goddess Latona or Leto in Greek, who is the mother of the gods Apollo and Diana which she designed with Zeus. Latona appears with her bare chest seeking to protect her two children and invoking a terrible curse against the peasants of Lycia who, on the orders of the goddess Juno her rival, sought to prevent her from drinking and washing her children in a pond in s' throwing in and stirring the mud. Furious Latona causes the curse that turns peasants into frogs.

In this composition the painter captures the moment when Diane and Apollo stretch out their

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supplicating arms towards the peasants. Latona has already rolled her eyes and her half-opened mouth suggests the curse against the peasants. around it on the right, and the left of the table the peasants are in the process of metamorphosis, some still have, their human appearance, others are half-men half-frogs finally in the bottom of the composition two are already changed in frogs. this table is of very good quality and very well treated with many details.

it was restored in the 19th century and there were a few repaints during this same period. the frame is posterior from the 19th century but of very good quality.

In the way of the work of Jean Jouvenet.

the colors are much more beautiful in reality and the photos do not manage to make the beauty of this table.

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