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## 19th Century / Herds Of Cows In Undergrowth / Oil On Canvas



420 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

### Description

Oil on canvas in a beautiful period frame, depicting a herd of cows crossing a river in a forest environment. The overall mood is soft and soothing, with a subdued light enveloping the scene. This painting dates from the end of the 19th century, a period marked by a great popularity of pastoral scenes, influenced by the movements of Romanticism and Realism. The cows depicted are probably local European breeds, such as the Charolais or the Limousine, which were common in France at the time. Their representation is faithful and realistic, with particular attention to the physical details of the animals. The work could be associated with the Barbizon school, which valued outdoor painting and the realistic representation of nature. The style mixes elements of Romanticism, with an

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idealized and peaceful nature, and realism, through the precise treatment of the animals and the landscape. Two diffuse characters appear behind the herd, which adds a narrative dimension to the scene. These figures, probably shepherds or peasants, seem to watch over the animals, almost blending into the landscape. Their discreet presence could symbolize the harmonious interaction between man and nature, or reinforce the atmosphere of serenity and spiritual connection with the natural world. The artist uses a delicate treatment of light and shadow to create a misty or luminous atmosphere that envelops the entire scene. The composition is well balanced, with the trees framing the main scene, adding depth and guiding the viewer's eye.

40.5 x 65 without frame

83.5 x 59 with frame

very beautiful period frame in molded gilded wood with stylized flower motifs.