



Rare Samson Porcelain Figurine, C. 1850



260 EUR

Signature : Samson

Period : 19th century

Condition : Parfait état

Material : Porcelain

Description

A rare and beautifully modeled, hand-painted reproduction by the French company Samson, inspired by a Derby figurine and crafted in the mid-19th century. The figurine depicts a lady in an elegant, mannered pose, with rosy cheeks and dressed in a luxurious 18th-century purple gown adorned with intricate floral designs and rich gold accents. The Samson company was founded by Edmé Samson (1810-1891), who began his career in the late 1830s by producing replacements for porcelain services and set pieces. In 1845, he established Samson et Cie at 7, Rue Vendôme, Paris, with the goal of creating high-quality reproductions of ceramics displayed in museums and private collections. The company specialized in copying 18th-century designs from renowned factories such as Meissen, Sèvres, Chelsea,

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Worcester, Derby, as well as Chinese and Japanese porcelain. These pieces were never intended as forgeries, but their remarkable craftsmanship makes them difficult to distinguish from the originals even today. Samson focused on replicating the finest European porcelain, often reaching such an exceptional level of artistry that collectors later sought out these works as highly as the originals. The firm exhibited at the International Exposition of 1867 and the Exposition Universelle of 1889, further solidifying its reputation for excellence. Dimensions: Height: 24 cm Width: 11.5 cm Depth: 11.5 cm Weight: 930 grams Condition: Chipped index finger on the right hand. Small chip on the lower rim of the base. The right hand has likely been professionally restored. Otherwise, in excellent antique condition. Please examine the accompanying photographs carefully, as they form an integral part of this description. If you have any questions, we will be happy to assist you. The item will be shipped with full tracking and insurance. Please note that shipping costs include labor, packaging, and postage.