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## Large Icon Of The Protection Of The Mother Of God, Russia 19th Century, Pokrov Mary Viel



2 400 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Painted wood

Height : 54cm

### Description

Large and beautiful icon illustrating the protection of Mary. This iconographic motif, typically Russian, is also called "Pokrov" or "Veil of the Mother of God". It dates from the first half of the 19th century -- around 1820/1840 -- and comes from the Volga region of Russia. The composition is divided into two registers: At the top, we see Mary who, during her appearance in the Blachernes Church in Constantinople, extends her veil to humanity as a sign of protection. She is surrounded by saints, prophets and archangels. In the lower part, the miracle of Saint Romanus the Melodist, called "the poet of Mary", is illustrated as well as the apparition of the Virgin to Saint Andrew the Fool for Christ. The icon is delicately painted in tempera with great attention to detail. Several dozen figures are

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represented on an architectural background  
symbolizing the Blachernes Church. Very well  
preserved with minor wear. This icon is sold  
with its certificate of authenticity and a full  
description of the composition. Dimensions: H 54  
cm by W 45 cm