

## French School Early 19th Century Around 1830 "philoctetes On The Island Of Lemnos"



## 7 800 EUR

Period: 19th century
Condition: Bon état
Material: Oil painting

Width: 102cm Height: 82,5cm

## Description

FRENCH SCHOOL Early 19th centurycirca 1830"Philoctetes on the Island of Lemnos"Canvas H 82.5 cm W 102 cmUnframed"Philoctetes on the Island of Lemnos" refers to the story of the Greek hero Philoctetes, abandoned on the island of Lemnos following an incurable wound caused by a snake bite, contracted during his journey to the Trojan War. The Greeks returned for him in the tenth year of the war, as his bow and arrows were essential to victory. How was he abandoned on Lemnos? The bite: On the road to Troy, Philoctetes was bitten by a snake. His oozing and smelly wound caused the Greeks to abandon him.Respect for the bow of Heracles: Philoctetes possessed the bow and arrows of Heracles, a gift from the demigod. His skill as an archer was

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crucial to the Greek victory. Return to War Odysseus and Neoptolemus: In the tenth and final year of the war, the Greeks sent Odysseus and Neoptolemus (son of Achilles) to search for Philoctetes. Healing: At Lemnos, they managed to treat Philoctetes' wound and convinced him to join them in the war. His Contribution to Troy: Philoctetes, using the bow of Heracles, killed Prince Paris, hastening the fall of Troy. Significance in Tragedy and Myth Sophocles' Play: The story of Philoctetes on the island of Lemnos is the subject of the Greek tragedy "Philoctetes," by Sophocles, which explores themes of betrayal, suffering, and redemption. Tragic Hero: Philoctetes is a classic example of a tragic hero in Greek mythology, whose The story of abandonment, suffering and talent was central to the fate of the Trojan War.