



Marble Portrait - Northern Italy, 17th Century



6 500 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Marble

Width : 13

Height : 36

Description

Portrait Head of a Man

Northern Italy, 17th century, inspired by antiquity

Marble

36 × 13 cm (including marble pedestal)

This finely carved marble head depicts a young man with short, wavy hair, his gaze turned slightly to the left. The wrinkled forehead, furrowed brows, and firmly set lips recall the Veristic portraiture of late Republican Rome. The unincised pupils and sober modeling evoke classical prototypes from the late 1st century B.C. Originally conceived as part of a larger bust, the sculpture exemplifies the Renaissance revival of antique portrait formats, transforming the Roman ideal of civic virtue into a celebration of individual character. The choice of marble underscores the timeless dignity of the subject,

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while the artist's sensitive attention to surface and anatomy reflects a profound engagement with classical models and the humanist taste of northern Italian collectors.