



Darte Frères - Table Plate With Topographical Decoration, Consulate And Empire Periods



1 000 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Porcelain

Description

Visible in Paris. Free worldwide shipping via DHL. Table plate Hard paste porcelain painted and enhanced with gilding Dimensions: 23.5 cm Paris, circa 1805 Rare flat plate with beautiful blue and gold amati marli, burnished and "scraped." The rim is finely decorated with a view of the Petit Hôtel de l'Infantado, Talleyrand's residence. This plate belongs to a highly acclaimed production, based on a series of aquatints made at the end of the reign of Louis XVI, which can be seen at the Musée Carnavalet Histoire de Paris. We know of an important service featuring views of Paris and Italy, including the same plate, sold in the art trade in London a few years ago at the Mayfair Gallery. The Darte factoryOriginally three brothers, they launched their porcelain manufacturing and

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trading business in 1795, purchasing a factory on Rue de Charonne and opening a shop in the Palais Royal at the same time. In 1804, they parted ways amicably. The brothers Louis Joseph and Jean François founded a new company, retaining the name Darte Frères, and moved to Rue de la Roquette, while Joseph Darte continued under the name "Darte Aîné à Paris" and moved to Rue de Popincourt. The brothers prospered (employing 80 to 100 workers in peacetime). An advertisement from 1809 announced that the factory bore the title "Manufacture de porcelaine de S.A.I. Madame Mère de S.M. L'Empereur et Roi" (Porcelain Manufacturer of Her Imperial Highness, Mother of His Majesty the Emperor and King). In 1816, a second store opened at 16 Rue Vienne. The factory participated in the 1819 exhibition and, as in 1806, won a silver medal. However, things became complicated in 1820 and three years later the brothers divided up the assets of the struggling company. In 1824, Louis Joseph went into partnership with one of his sons, Auguste Remi, but the business went under a year later. In 1828, bankruptcy was declared. Condition report: very good condition, minor wear and tear, particularly in the basin.