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Miguel Jacinto Meléndez (1679-1734) Attributed To - Marie Louise Gabrielle Of Savoy, Queen Of Spain



13 500 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

Description

- Oil on canvas. - This oval portrait of Marie-Louise-Gabrielle of Savoy is an exceptional example of an early 18th-century court portrait. It captures the majesty of the first Bourbon queen of Spain with a delicacy that transcends the rigidity of protocol. Confidently attributed to the Asturian artist Miguel Jacinto Meléndez, the work presents a perfect synthesis of traditional Baroque style and the French refinement that the painter developed in his prolific series of royal portraits executed between 1710 and 1714. The queen appears with a porcelain complexion and a serenity that barely hints at the fragility of her health. Her hairstyle, a fontange with curls meticulously sculpted by the light, frames the painting. Meléndez demonstrates his virtuosity in the treatment of textures: the

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iridescent sheen of the brocades, the ethereal lightness of the Spanish lace, and the depth of the jewels, which seem to leap off the canvas. The queen's gaze, imbued with a profound humanity and a political intelligence recognized by her contemporaries, stands out against a neutral background which concentrates all attention on the effigy, transforming this oval into a cabinet piece of supreme pictorial quality, worthy of the palaces once inhabited by "the Savoy".- 55.6 x 70.5 cm / 66 x 81 cm with antique oval frame.