



Portrait Of The Duke Of Berry As A Child. French School, 17th Century



5 400 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : Bon état

Width : 48

Height : 55,5

Description

Charles of France, Duke of Berry -- Child French School, 17th century Circle of François de Troy**This portrait can be paired with the other I am presenting Oil on canvas/panel Presented in its original carved and gilded wooden frame, a model known as "with floral corners" Overall dimensions: 55.5 x 48 cm. Canvas only: 40 x 32 cm This charming portrait of a child depicts Charles of France, the future Duke of Berry, grandson of Louis XIV and son of the Grand Dauphin. Executed in the style of François de Troy from the late 17th century, it belongs to the tradition of portraits of princely children, where the gentleness of the features blends with the solemnity of rank. Like many small-format works produced at Versailles and in its circle, this piece belongs to the category of reductions of official

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portraits. These paintings were intended for provincial nobles who came to attend court ceremonies. Eager to bring back a tangible souvenir of their time with the Sun King, they acquired these miniature effigies of members of the royal family. These portraits, both intimate and precious, then circulated among aristocratic homes as symbols of proximity--real or imagined--to the center of power. The young Duke of Berry appears here with all the childlike grace characteristic of this type of representation: neatly styled hair, richly ornamented attire, and a gentle, slightly melancholic expression. The painting captivates with its immediate charm, with its delicate way of capturing childhood while simultaneously recalling the dignity of royal blood.

Biography of the Duke of Berry (1686-1714): Charles of France, the third grandson of Louis XIV, received the title of Duke of Berry at birth. Raised in the entourage of the Grand Dauphin, he was destined for a military career and participated in several campaigns, notably during the War of the Spanish Succession. Married to Marie-Louise d'Orléans, he played a moderate but respected political role. His premature death at the age of twenty-eight brought an end to a line that could have played a significant part in the succession to the throne. He remains in history as one of the most beloved princes of his generation, appreciated for his gentleness and affable nature. Good overall condition, recently cleaned and revarnished. Sold with a certificate of authenticity.