French Rustic Terracotta Pitcher, Hand-painted Glaze, 19th Century



350 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Ceramic

Diameter : 13 cm

Height : 11 cm

Description

This charming earthenware pitcher in the French Provençal style dates from the late 19th century, and perfectly illustrates the rustic elegance of traditional rural ceramics. Hand-formed in earthenware, it features a generous, rounded body, a slightly flared rim and a practical pouring spout, complemented by a sturdy, well-designed handle. Its surface is richly decorated with a speckled glaze in vivid shades of deep blue, green and warm brown on a creamy yellow background, an effect typical of French regional utilitarian pottery, often associated with regions such as Savoy or the Southwest.The glaze has developed a magnificent natural patina, with subtle irregularities and tonal variations that testify to its artisanal manufacture and kiln firing. The interior is covered with a warm yellow glaze,

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initially intended to make the vessel suitable for contact with liquids, while the bottom remains raw, revealing the natural terracotta.Slight wear marks are visible on the rim and edges, testifying to its age and use, and only serve to accentuate its authenticity and charm. Today, this piece works wonders as a small pitcher, rustic vase or collector's item of French country pottery, full of character and timeless charm.