



View Of The Bay Of Capri - Oil On Canvas - About 1880 - Signed

150 EUR



Signature : I. Bernardi (actif vers 1880 - 1900, école italienne)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

Width : 35 cm / 38,5 cm encadré

Height : 22 cm / 25,5 cm encadré

Description

I. BERNARDI (active circa 1870-1900, Italian school) View of the Bay of Capri Oil on canvas Signed lower left: I. Bernardi Circa 1880 Dimensions: 35 × 23.5 cm (canvas) - 38.5 × 25.5 cm (with frame) With a single glance, this small painting captures the incomparable light of the Gulf of Naples: a limpid blue-green bay, fishermen's boats motionless on the calm water, a front of ochre and golden houses stretching along the shore, and dominating it all, the limestone cliffs of Capri set against a clear sky. The composition, taken at a slight height from the rocks, embraces in a single breath the rocky foreground, the lively seaside and the spectacular mass of the mountain. The treatment of southern light - vast, luminous sky, calm water rendered in its flat hues, architectural materials rendered with

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precision - is in keeping with the great tradition of 19th-century Neapolitan veduta, whose plein-air landscape painters made Capri and its environs a favorite subject. Frame: period or slightly later gilded rod, in good condition. Condition: very good. Canvas on fixed stretcher, back of old fine-grained canvas typical of Italian production in the second half of the 19th century. Artist's note: The signature I. Bernardi does not yet correspond to any painter listed in the dictionaries of nineteenth-century Italian artists consulted. Nevertheless, the work testifies to a real technical mastery and intimate knowledge of the site, suggesting an author trained in the milieu of landscape artists active around Naples in the second half of the 19th century.