



## 18th-century Oil On Canvas After David Teniers, "witches Preparing For The Sabbath"



2 500 EUR

Signature : D'après David Teniers (1610 - 1690)

Period : 18th century

Condition : Réentoilé

Material : Oil painting

Width : 62.5 cm

Height : 77 cm

### Description

A significant anonymous oil on canvas with a later gilded stucco frame, Flemish school, depicting an interior scene of witches inspired by the grand magical scenes of the 17th and 18th centuries. This painting is an 18th-century reinterpretation of the painting by David Teniers the Younger (1610-1690) known as "Preparations for the Witches' Sabbath," as well as the engraving created in 1755 by Jean Jacques Aliamet (1726-1788) under the title "Departure for the Sabbath," a contemporary of the work offered for sale. The composition centers on an old woman preparing a potion in a dimly lit interior filled with demons and esoteric elements: a candle, a skull, an hourglass, cards, vials, and accessories associated with alchemy and vanities. This iconography draws on a tradition in which

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witchcraft serves as a metaphor for human passions, time, and earthly corruption. The reverse bears the inscription: "After David Teniers 1610 / 1690 - Copy c. 1770/1790." Examination of the work reveals an old paint layer with a network of cracks consistent with natural aging and consistent with the date indicated on the reverse. The canvas visible on the reverse appears to be the result of a later re-stretching, likely carried out as part of a previous restoration. This painting has a strong decorative presence and fits within the aesthetic of cabinets of curiosities as well as collections devoted to esotericism or Flemish genre painting. Condition: Good overall condition. Visible wear, craquelure, and previous restorations. Missing gilding in the frame in places. THE PHOTOS ARE PART OF THE DESCRIPTION. For additional photos, please contact me. Signature: None. Date: circa 1770/1790. After a work by David Teniers the Younger held at the Musée Sainte-Croix in Poitiers. Dimensions: Canvas: width 52.2 cm - height 68.2 cm. Frame: width 62.5 cm - height 77 cm. For information: the price indicated is without shipping. For more paintings and objects, go to: [aenigmattic.fr](http://aenigmattic.fr) or on my instagram: @aenigmatticshopnice If you sell curiosities, please write me. For more pictures, please contact me.