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Marie Edouard Adam (1847-1929) Oil On Canvas Marine Fishing Boats Normandy 1908



700 EUR

Signature : Marie Edouard Adam

Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Oil painting

Width : 41 cm

Height : 33 cm

Description

Oil on canvas depicting fishing boats in Normandy, by Marie Edouard Adam, official painter of the French Navy, born in 1847 in Brie-Comte-Robert and died in 1929 in Le Havre. Signed and dated 1908 lower right. Restoration is needed ; the canvas has small areas of paint loss and a retouch in the sky. Barbizon frame in wood and gilt stucco, with gilt retouching and stucco losses on the edges. Painting dimensions : 41 x 33 cm. Frame dimensions : 58 x 50 cm. Edouard Adam trained in Paris with the renowned marine painter Jean-Baptiste Henri Durand-Brager. This classical training allowed him to acquire exceptional technical mastery in the depiction of ships. In 1873, Edouard Adam settled in Le Havre, then experiencing a period of rapid maritime growth. He quickly became the favorite

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painter of shipowners, captains, and harbor pilots. In 1885, Edouard Adam was appointed Official Painter of the Navy by Admiral François-Edmond Pâris, curator of the Musée de la Marine at the Louvre. He then created a series of 18 paintings retracing the history of the merchant navy since 1815. The majority of Edouard Adam's work consists of portraits of ships seen broadside, leaving Le Havre, set in a simplified setting. He also produced some more ambitious compositions (shipwrecks, naval battles, fishing scenes, maneuvers of the French Navy, etc.), but these works are rare in his oeuvre.