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19th-century Russian Orthodox Minei (menaion) Icon Depicting Saints And Religious Feasts

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Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gilted wood

Description

An exceptional 19th-century Russian Orthodox Minei (Menaion) icon, illustrating the liturgical calendar of saints and feasts for a given month. Rich in iconographic detail and spiritual significance, this type of icon served both as an object of devotion and as a visual guide to the annual cycle of commemorations in the Orthodox Church. The composition features numerous saints arranged horizontally against a luminous gold background, with each figure carefully painted according to traditional Orthodox iconographic conventions. Each saint is depicted with distinctive attributes and inscriptions, creating a harmonious and highly detailed sacred composition that reflects the richness of the Orthodox liturgical tradition. Minei icons were intended to commemorate the saints and religious

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feasts celebrated during a particular month, making them important objects of devotion in churches, monasteries, and private iconographies. Their complex compositions required highly skilled iconographers, capable of depicting dozens of individual figures while maintaining a balanced and unified whole. Painted in tempera on a wooden panel, this icon attests to the refined craftsmanship characteristic of 19th-century Russian workshops. The brilliant gold background enhances the spiritual atmosphere of the composition, symbolizing the heavenly kingdom and emphasizing the sacred nature of the figures depicted. A remarkable example of Russian Orthodox religious art, this icon is ideal for a collection of Russian icons, ecclesiastical antiques, museum-quality devotional objects, or Eastern Christian art. Origin: Russia Period: 19th century Materials: Tempera and gilding on wood panel Subject: Icon from the Minei (Meneion) depicting saints and religious feasts Dimensions: Height: 32 cm Width: 26 cm Condition: In good condition. Signs of wear, crazing, and slight superficial scratches consistent with its age and religious use. Beautiful antique patina, well-preserved gilding, and finely painted figures. Keywords: Florin Antiques