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19th-century Illustrated And Folded, Handwritten Thai Samut Koi



250 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Water color

Length : 28 cm/ 42 cm

Width : 19 cm/ 33 cm

Description

This work is a centuries-old illustration created in the traditional Thai style, typical of accordion-folded illustrated manuscripts (known as Samut Khoi) from the Rattanakosin period (19th century). Note the characteristic horizontal fold line in the center of the image. During this period, these illuminations were used to illustrate sacred Buddhist texts (such as the tale of Phra Malai or the Jatakas), royal texts, or cosmological and mythological treatises. In the background stands a shrine or a pavilion with tiered spires (Prasat or Mondop), featuring pointed roofs in shades of red, green, and dark blue. The Frame: The scene is framed vertically by two decorative bands painted with a traditional Thai plant motif (Lai Thai / scrollwork) in black on a gold/ochre background. The abundant use of gilding (applied

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gold leaf) on the divine figures' garments and the architecture is highly representative of the Rattanakosin style. The traditional gouache pigments of this period (ochre/vermilion reds, matte greens, deep blues) give the painting its velvety, weathered appearance. **Boxed Text**