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The Countryside In Provence By Antoine Serra



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Signature : Antoine SERRA

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting

Description

A beautiful, large oil on canvas measuring 60 cm x 73 cm, plus frame 78 cm x 90 cm signed lower right A.SERRA. Painting depicting a corner of Provence in the summer heat. Antoine SERRA was born in 1908 in Sardinia to a very poor family. Arriving in Marseille at the age of 6, he had to start working at a very young age to support himself. He enrolled at the École des Beaux-arts and won numerous prizes. Politically active, he went to Spain to fight against Franco. A proletarian painter, after the war he joined the group centered around Ambrogiani, Toncini, Ferrari, Sari, Diana, etc... One day, unable to shake it, he felt a magnetic attraction to the Alpilles, which he discovered by chance during a trip, marveling at "landscapes enveloped in a light that magnifies their forms." He then decided to

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settle in this region, which he did in 1946 by purchasing an old farmhouse, which he renovated over the years--the "Mas du Diable," located at the foot of Les Baux-de-Provence. He spent the last fifteen years of his life in Mouriès, a small Provençal village in the heart of the Alpilles, in a farmhouse he had restored. He died on May 6, 1995, at the age of 87. Free shipping within the European Union