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Talavera Earthenware, Ca. 1850 - Plate And Nun's Bowl



250 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Earthenware

Description

This exquisite set of Talavera earthenware, dating from the early 19th century, offers a poignant glimpse into the art of devotional objects and utilitarian items in Baroque Spain and the transitional period. Comprising a bowl and its matching basin, this set reflects the deeply rooted monastic custom of commissioning personal and inalienable objects for nuns at the time of their solemn profession in a convent. Coated with a milky-white tin-based glaze, the pieces feature a refined cobalt-blue decoration executed with great skill; notably featuring plant borders, stylized garlands, and geometric motifs reminiscent of lace--all characteristic elements of the Castilian tradition.The uniqueness of this pair lies in its personalized nature, as it bears a clearly visible inscription identifying its owner: "SOR

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MARÍA VICENTA DE LA PRESENTACIÓN."
The neat, formal script--framed by delicate blue lines along the upper rim of the bowl and repeated on the dish--transforms these everyday objects, intended for the refectory, into unique commemorative pieces imbued with deep symbolic meaning. With its understated elegance and timeless two-tone color scheme, this set embodies the full craftsmanship of the Talavera de la Reina workshops, combining the formal beauty of traditional folk ceramics with the spiritual intimacy of cloistered life.- Talavera earthenware with tin-glaze, blue and white decoration.- In good overall condition. A few superficial cracks.- Private collection, Madrid.- DIMENSIONS: 20 x 20 x 5 cm (BASIN); 15 x 15 x 7 cm (BOWL)