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# Portrait Of Jeannette, A Pack Mule, 20th Century



780 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oil painting on wood

Width : 37.5 cm

Height : 51 cm

Depth : 2 cm

## Description

Jeannette was truly courageous, having carried so much equipment and provisions far from her native Alpine mountains. She originally belonged to the 1st Mountain Artillery Regiment and was, in all likelihood, part of the "logistical" contingent lent by that regiment to the forces deployed to the Gallipoli Peninsula--in present-day Turkey--during the Dardanelles Campaign.

This episode of the First World War pitted the Ottoman Empire against British and French troops between March 18, 1915, and January 9, 1916. The conflict was bloody, resulting in colossal human losses on both sides. The Allies withdrew in January, having failed to gain control of the Dardanelles.

Did Jeannette survive the conflict? We do not

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know. Yet, she was clearly an exemplary animal, admired by her human companions--one of whom felt compelled to paint her portrait to honor her memory.
Executed in oil on a wooden panel, this moving portrait of a mule speaks as much to the experience of the animal as it does to that of the soldier--an amateur painter--both of whom were swept, very much against their will, into a terrifying conflict.

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Dimensions including frame:

Height: 51 cm
Width: 37.5 cm
Depth: 2 cm

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Height: 45.7 cm
Width: 31.8 cm

Price: EUR780

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