Narrow-necked Westerwald Stoneware Jug With A Mask And Rosettes, 17th Century



700 EUR

Signature : Westerwald

Period : 17th century

Condition : Très bon état

Width : 12

Height : 21,5

Description

Welcome to La Trésorerie.This salt-glazed stoneware jug features a rounded body decorated with floral rosettes in relief, arranged in a staggered pattern against a deep cobalt blue background. A large, expressive mask adorns the front of the fluted neck. The wide, fluted handle ends in a coil at its base.This piece follows the tradition of Rhenish stoneware, whose main production centers include Cologne, Frechen, Siegburg, Raeren, and the Westerwald. The gray and blue stoneware from Raeren and the Westerwald share many similarities. The globular shape and the applied rosette decoration suggest that this jug originates from the Westerwald and dates to the second half of the 17th century.The mask is reminiscent of the old "bearded man" jugs, known as Bartmannkrüge. As early as the

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beginning of the 16th century, potters in Cologne were applying bearded faces in relief to the necks of their jugs. This motif was also adopted in Frechen and Raeren. On this jug, the mask combined with the rosettes against a cobalt-blue background attests to the continuity of this decorative tradition.In very good condition. The neck has a very fine hairline crack on each side, visible both inside and outside. The rest of the jug is intact.Height: 21.5 cmMaximum diameter of the body: approximately 12 cmWeight: 635 gThank you for visiting. I am available to provide any further information or additional photographs.Best regards,Ben - La Trésorerie