Humorous Mixed-media Painting, Drawing, And Embroidery On Canvas--early 1900s



80 EUR

Signature : inconnu

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Linen

Description

An original humorous work created using mixed media on canvas, combining drawing and hand embroidery, inspired by the style of satirical illustrators of the Belle Époque (late 19th - early 20th century). The composition depicts an encounter between a farmer--wearing clogs, a cap, and patched pants, kneeling as he gathers mushrooms--and a gentleman in a green frock coat, carrying a hat and a cane, with a book under his arm. At the bottom of the scene is a witty dialogue in dialect: "-- Tell me, my friend, are you sure about these mushrooms? Aren't you afraid of getting poisoned? -- But I'm not going to eat them--I'm going to sell them!" The work displays remarkable craftsmanship: the background and the inscription are rendered in wash and drawn directly onto the fabric's weave,

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while the two figures are entirely embroidered in relief, using satin stitch and painting stitch with shaded polychrome threads. The entire piece is set within a molded wooden frame, painted in a delicate shade of mastic gray. Excellent condition. The colors of the painted background and the embroidery threads have retained their vibrancy and clarity; there are no tears or noticeable stains.