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A pair of shepherd and shepherdess statuettes made of Royal Dux porcelain

Price

GBP 1,200

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Item Reference: SA1000635

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Description

Royal Dux porcelain is a type of fine porcelain that was first produced in the town of Duchcov (now Czech Republic) in the late 19th century. The company was founded in 1853 by Eduard Eichler, a skilled potter and entrepreneur. In 1860 the company began producing fine porcelain wares, and in 1896 the Emperor of Austria Franz Joseph I granted it the status of "supplier to the imperial and royal court". In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, Royal Dux became known for its innovative designs and high quality workmanship. The company became particularly famous for its statuettes, which depicted a variety of subjects: animals, children, historical figures. One of the most characteristic features of Royal Dux porcelain is its trademark white matte glaze, which gives the products a soft, velvety texture. The company also produced pieces with glossy glazes and a variety of decorative techniques, including hand-painting, gilding and relief. During the 20th century, Royal Dux continued to produce high quality porcelain wares, but the company faced many challenges, including economic recession, two world wars, and changing consumer tastes. At the end of the 20th century, the com...

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