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Karl Peter Burnitz, Woodland View With Pond - Antique Oil Painting

Price

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Item Reference: SA1016029

Date of manufacture: 1880

Dimensions

Height = 45 cm (17.7")

Width = 38 cm (15.0")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This late 19th-century oil painting by German artist Karl Peter Burnitz (1824-1886) depicts a dense woodland view with pond. At first glance, the dominant characteristic of this splendid little painting is its mastery of tone. Dark green and umber, enlivened with highlights that rest in pockets of exposed foliage. But look closer and there's finesse, exquisite details rendered through careful observation. The trees, which rise into a pyramidal structure, are deftly reflected in the dark shimmering water. The pond's edge cleverly marked via a distinct change in value. While the sky, bulging with imposing clouds, is depicted in a range of subtle greys through to near-brilliant white. Burnitz was unusual. Turning his hand to painting following a brief career as a lawyer. Unlike his German contemporaries, he undertook the mainstay of his training in Paris and, as such, championed a pioneering sense of naturalism. His studio was the great outdoors, working instinctively to capture the transient effects of light. The painting was previously in the collection of H.R.H. Prince Joseph Clemens of Bavaria (1902-1990). Held within a gilt frame from the period, which is possibly ...

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