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18th century portrait oil painting of a young girl, Circle of Tilly Kettle (1735-1786)

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1024888****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 86 cm (33.9")

Width = 75 cm (29.5")

Description

Portrait of a fair-haired young girl wearing a green dress, a pink and white lace bonnet and a patterned shawl draped around her shoulders, possibly in a printed Indian design, leaning on a stone pedestal. Oil on canvas in a period 18th century giltwood frame. During the 18th century Indian textiles provided 60% of the total value of the East India Company's sales in London. The Company purchased many fine Indian textiles, including muslins, painted or printed chintz and palampores, plain white baftas, diapers and dungarees, striped allejaes, mixed cotton and silk gingham, and embroidered quilts. Indian craftsmen were masters of colour-fast dyeing techniques, and many fabrics showed wonderful designs and colour combinations produced by hand-painting and wood-blocking. The shawl and the connection to India suggests that the young girl may possibly have been a daughter of a merchant or official working for the East India Company at the time. Provenance: Private collection, London The collection of Lieutenant Colonel Vivien Seymer (1894-1967) Tilly Kettle (1735-1786) was born in London, the third of six children by Henry Kettle (c.1704-c.1773), a coach painter, and his w...

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