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Dutch 17th century pair of
 portrait oil paintings of a
 husband and wife by Nicolaes
 Maes (1634-1693)

Price

GBP 38,000

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Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 58 cm (22.8")

Width = 47.5 cm (18.7")

Description

A rare pair of three-quarter length 'marriage' portraits by one of the foremost dutch portrait painters of the 17th century, Nicolaes Maes (Dordrecht 1634-1693 Amsterdam). The gentleman signed middle left 'Maes 1679'. Oil on canvas in dutch style ebonised frames. Dimensions 58 x 47.5cms each. The gentleman is shown in a landscape at dusk, leaning against a stone capital, wearing a white chemise decorated with lace, a black coat and a brown silk cloak draped across his body. The lady is elegantly dressed in an ivory silk gown decorated with jewels on the neckline and shoulders, the contrasting sleeves in gold fabric, with a rose pink silk cloak draped over her shoulder and bodice. She wears a pearl necklace and earrings with her fair hair worn up with ringlets falling down onto her chest in the fashionable style of the day. She stands with one hand touching a lock of her hair as she rests her arm on the bowl of a stone water drinking fountain. Although the identity of the sitters has been lost over time, as they were painted after Maes had settled in Amsterdam in 1674, they are likely to have been a wealthy Amsterdam couple, seeking to show their prosperity and high soc...

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