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Lady With A Basket Of Grapes,
parian ware porcelain, mid-19th
century

Price

GBP 300

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Item Reference: SA1071013

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Description

A 19th century Victorian parian ware china figure. (Parian ware is bisque porcelain that imitates marble. It was designed around 1845 by Staffordshire pottery manufacturer Minton and named after Paros, a Greek island famous for its fine-grained white Paros marble, which has been used since ancient times). This charming figurine depicts a girl gracefully carrying a full basket of ripe grapes. The statuette is skillfully executed, although its maker is hard to identify as any branding that may have been present on the base has worn down over time. Based on its style and the design of the stand, it might be a product of Minton. This particular figurine showcases a high level of craftsmanship, especially in the detailing of the girl's face, her dress and the grape with leaves garland adorning her head. A unique feature for a parian piece is the girl's colored hair, carefully painted by the artist, with its golden hue harmonizing perfectly with the marble-white figure. Her face is delicately decorated in soft pastel colors, signifying the hand of a true master. The figure has a circular plinth base which is integrated into the piece but there are no maker's marks. Heig...

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