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Fauve French Chateau, the
enchanted Castle, ca 1940
Walter Sickert student
Wendela Boreel oil on canvas

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1071070

Date of manufacture: 1940

Dimensions

Height = 65 cm (25.6")

Width = 54 cm (21.3")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

Having been lucky enough to acquire a number of paintings by Wendela Boreel (1886-1985) from her late son's estate, I feel I have grown to understand her work. The defining characteristic is that it is enchanting: Wendela's art is quite impossible to resist. Wendela's personality probably was, too: as Walter Sickert said of her: "You are the goddamnest, tiresome little cat living. But I love you all the same." Wendela Boreel loved the South of France, and her art displays all the warmth of the mediterranean. Here is an enchanted French chateau which seems to be glowing in the sudden strong sunlight that has occurred just after a rainstorm. Wendela was a master colourist, and individual sections of the paintings - in the sky, for example - would hold their own as abstract compositions. Born in France in 1886 to an American mother and a Dutch diplomat father, Wendela came to live in England when her father was posted to London. The family had a home on Tite Street, just up the road from Oscar Wilde's house. Wendela became friends with her neighbour, the patron of the arts Frank Schuster, and moved in the circles of John Singer Sargent, James Abbott McNeill Whistler, Edward...

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