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Antique Porcelain Figurine 'Boy with Monkeys' by Satsuma, Japan, Meiji period (1868-1912).

Price

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Item Reference: SA1093193

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Description

An antique and rare Japanese Satsuma porcelain figurine, hand-painted, depicting a seated boy with a drum and two monkeys. The piece is beautifully adorned with colored enamels and lavish gilding. One monkey, in its natural color and dressed in a green waistcoat with a floral pattern, rests its hand on the boy's knee, observing him intently. The second monkey, fully gilded and dressed in a purple waistcoat, perches on the boy's shoulder. It seems as though the boy has paused to rest before resuming his street performance with the monkeys. The figurine highlights the boy's richly decorated attire, meticulously hand-painted with intricate patterns, showcasing the artistry involved. His kimono, adorned with multi-colored glazed enamel, and his golden cap stand out prominently. The round base is gold-plated along the perimeter, and the bottom is marked with slightly erased "Made in Japan," indicating that this piece was made specifically for export. Satsuma ware originated in Japan during the seventeenth century in the southern region...

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