

SA1094645

Antique KPM Berlin, Germany,
Porcelain Hand-Painted Cup, c.
1780-1790.

Price

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Item Reference: SA1094645

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Description

This antique and rare hand-painted porcelain cup was created by KPM Berlin at the end of the 18th century. The snow-white porcelain is adorned with gold ornamentation, with both the top and bottom edges gilded with a wide border. The center of the cup features a wreath of hand-painted roses, with rays diverging in all directions. A ribbon with the inscription "Aus Dankbarkeit" ("In Gratitude") is applied over the wreath. The delicate handle, which features a molded and gilded pattern, adds to its beauty. Originally, the cup rested on three small gilded ball feet, which have unfortunately been lost, but their absence doesn't detract from the cup's elegance. The bottom of the cup bears the scepter mark, confirming its production during the stated period. KPM (Königliche Porzellan Manufaktur or 'Royal Porcelain Factory') is Berlin's oldest porcelain factory and Germany's second oldest. Founded in 1763, it continues producing porcelain to this day. King Frederick II, also known as Frederick the Great, was deeply involved in the company's development and became its owner. He invested heavily in the factory and gave it its iconic emblem, his royal scepter. In the 18th and 19th ...

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