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Frederik Christian Kiærskou, Svendborg With A View To Taasinge, Denmark - Antique Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1102778****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 31 cm (12.2")

Width = 39 cm (15.4")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This charming late 19th-century oil painting by Danish artist Frederik Christian Kiærskou (1805-1891) depicts a picturesque coastal view from Svendborg, a town on the island of Funen, towards Taasinge. From atop a grassy bank and flanked by trees, the artist stood with his easel to capture this enchanting scene. In the foreground, a quaint cottage is partially illuminated, while beyond, several vessels navigate the Svendborg Strait. It's somewhat looser than his earlier works but he was 81 when he painted it. Born in Copenhagen to Jacob Kiærskou, a police clerk, and Susanne Dorothea Kiærskou, Frederik Christian Kiærskou was orphaned at an early age and raised in an orphanage. Here, it seems he honed his drawing skills as within six years, he was accepted into the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts. It's interesting to consider how this occurred, as it's quite a feat to reach such a level without assistance or early tuition. At the academy, he trained under two brilliant teachers, Christoffer Wilhelm Eckersberg (1783-1853) and Johan Ludwig Lund (1777-1867). Both lauded the achievements of the old masters and the young lad would have undergone a rigorous formal education...

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