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Maximilien Mayeur, Figures By A Track In A Wooded Landscape - Antique Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1122147****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 102 cm (40.2")

Width = 83 cm (32.7")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

This beautiful late 19th-century oil painting by French artist Maximilien Mayeur (1840-1889) depicts a family resting adjacent to a country track within a verdant forest. Mayeur was an adept, Salon-exhibited, painter and etcher of landscapes. Four figures rest under a leafy canopy, with the youngest, a girl dressed in pale blue, looking towards the eldest - perhaps her grandfather. Here, amid the luscious foliage, sunlight amplifies the picturesque qualities of nature. Where the distant view culminates in gentle tints, topped by a ponderous array of passing clouds. The vertical composition seeks to emphasise the majesty of the trees. Born in Paris, Maximilien Mayeur was an understated artist with a deep affection for the natural world. He conducted his work with humility, without seeking peer validation, and as such, he's relatively unknown, despite exhibiting at the Salon for 20 years. His talents are unsung. According to the archives, he initially trained under 'Véron', which is possibly the landscape painter Alexandre René Véron (1826-1897) who worked extensively in the Forest of Fontainebleau. This was followed by a spell studying with Edmond Charles Joseph Yon (18...

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