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Portrait of a Lady in an
Elaborate Ruff and White Coiff
c.1616; Attributed to Cornelis
van der Voort (c.1576-1624),
Oil on canvas painting

Price

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Item Reference: SA1136879

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 65 cm (25.6")

Width = 54 cm (21.3")

Depth = 7 cm (2.8")

Description

This exquisite oil on panel portrait depicts a young lady wearing the most elaborate and costly items of the period. The Dutch coif or coronet of sheer lawn with lace, the lavishly embroidered stomacher, and the exquisite 'molensteenkraag' or millstone collar made of batiste fabric are of the highest quality materials, and de rigueur for the wealthy individuals of society. The collar itself often requiring over 15 metres of fabric and an incredible effort to maintain. The whiteness of her skin serves as a marker of her social background and status, highlighting how physical appearance can often play a significant role in how individuals were perceived in society. This portrait shows the precise, meticulously crafted, style for which the artist became well-known and is a fine example in its description of the sitter's character and the careful reproduction of the face and fabrics. The well-preserved condition provides a unique opportunity for us to admire the intricacy and details of the attire that may not always be possible in portraits from a similar age. The dark pigments used to depict the expensive black silk, along with the intricate lace, have remarkably st...

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