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Italian School Painting of Venus Sleeping with Satyrs and Cupids, Follower of Francesco Albani (1578-1660)

Price

GBP 3,150

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Item Reference: SA1145728

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 65 cm (25.6")

Width = 82 cm (32.3")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

Artist: Italian School (XVIII), School of Francesco Albani (1578-1660) Title: Venus Sleeping, with Satyrs and Cupids Period: 18th Century circa 1700-1750 Medium: Oil on canvas Provenance: From a private Surrey (UK) collection Overall size with the frame 82cm x 65cm x 4cm and the painting itself measured at 74cm x 66cm Description: A very decorative and atmospheric 18th century oil on canvas painting which we believe to be from the Italian School (see later notes) depicting an Italianate landscape within which rests Venus attended by a Cupid. This scene depicted in this painting is historically identified as either Jupiter seducing Antiope or a Satyr spying on a sleeping Venus and Cupid. In this instance the characters are identifiable as Venus who is sleeping, accompanied by Cupid, and representing earthly love. The scene, taken from mythology, is said to present the contrast between sacred and profane love. To the left of the painting, a smiling satyr-like creature, is depicted gazing with delight at the nude, sleeping Venus with the infant Cupid, identified by the bow and arrow at the feet, lying beside her. The composition and structure of this particular...

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