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Italian School Painting of Saint
Mary Magdalen Reading
(Reclining Magdalen), After
Antonio Allegri Correggio
(1489-1534)

Price

GBP 2,099

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Item Reference: SA1145851**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 48 cm (18.9")

Width = 62 cm (24.4")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

Artist: Italian School (XVIII), after Antonio Allegri Correggio (1489-1534) Title: Saint Mary Magdalen Reading (Reclining Magdalen) Medium: Oil on canvas Period: Circa late 18th century From a private UK collection Dimensions: Overall measures 62cm x 48cm x 5 cm and the painting measures 43 x 30 The present work is after Correggio's original which was only rediscovered a few years ago. It shows the barefoot saint lying on the ground, deeply absorbed in reading a large devotional book. In this particular version she is situated in a dark and shadowy wooded landscape setting, the attention focused on her sensuous body in the foreground. Resting her head on her right hand, her elbow rests on the pages of the book while her left arm cradles the book. Beside her, to her right, is an ointment jar while below the book rests a small effigy of Christ on the cross. This image is known for its success in blurring the boundaries between the sacred and the profane which it achieves by alluding to the saint's legend and to her religious devotion, while at the same time suggesting her seductive allure. The pensive and contemplative expression gives this depiction of the Magdal...

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