

SA1147033

Victorian Painting Caged Rat Trapped – Jack Russell Terriers Guarding

Price

GBP 3,500

| USD \$4,736 | EUR 4,095

Item Reference: SA1147033

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 38 cm (15.0")

Width = 44.5 cm (17.5")

Depth = 4.5 cm (1.8")

Description

Victorian Original: "Rat Trapped – Jack Russell Terriers Guarding" by Edward Aistrop (c.1880) Subject & Medium Step into the heart of the Victorian countryside with this captivating oil on board painting by esteemed British animal artist Edward Aistrop. Dated circa 1880, this highly detailed scene unfolds inside a rustic barn where two vigilant Jack Russell Terriers are on high alert. One, black and white, fixes its gaze on a trapped rat beneath a barrel, while the other, brown and white, turns sharply — its attention caught by a second, unseen threat. A moment of high tension is frozen in time, showcasing the sharp instincts and loyalty of the breed. Protected behind a glass cover and housed in a hand-finished black-painted wooden frame, this piece exemplifies Victorian sporting art at its finest. Composition & Technique Aistrop masterfully captures a dramatic triangular composition between the terriers and their prey, drawing the viewer into a quiet but electrifying standoff. The earthy palette — with tones of straw, barnwood, and shadowy greys — enhances the realism, while the vivid coats of the terriers pop against the muted backdrop. The brushwork is both confide...

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