

**SA1157981**

## Provincial School Pair of Portrait Miniatures

Price

**GBP 700**

| USD \$945 | EUR 819

**Item Reference: SA1157981**

**Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 18 cm (7.1")

Width = 15 cm (5.9")

## Description

This quirky pair of ¾-length cabinet-sized portraits are striking for their vibrant colours and fine detailing. With his brushed-back grey hair, the gentleman looks distinguished in a double-breasted frock-coat and black stock. Seated on a plush button-backed armchair, he is shown holding a gold snuff box. The most striking detail though is his curious walking cane with its gold collar and smirking face. Meantime, seated on a red and gold upholstered chaise, his wife is wearing a splendid cornflower blue dress with a deep V neckline (worn with a lace chemisette for modesty), pleated bodice, pointed waistline and bell sleeves worn with engageantes (washable half-sleeves underneath). She is well bejewelled too with a gold buckle, a super long gold chain about her neck, a pearl ring and two colourful bracelets. Her dark hair is fashionably arranged in long ringlets. It is though the Chinoiserie lacquered sewing table with its pierced legs that most draws the eye and completes the portrait. Both portraits are in fine condition; the side edges of the ivory are visible on both, caused by natural shrinkage over time. The portraits are housed with gilt-metal arched mounts withi...

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