

SA1159532

18th Century Italian oil on Canvas depicting St Catherine

Price

GBP 1,600

| USD \$2,165 | EUR 1,872

Item Reference: SA1159532

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 95 cm (37.4")

Width = 92 cm (36.2")

Depth = 14 cm (5.5")

Description

A large and impressive Italian late 18th century oil on canvas of St Catherine, reading. Painted after the portrait by Antonia da Correggio (1489-1534) it is in good order and has been sympathetically restored commensurate with age with no losses or damage to the canvas. Housed in the original gilt gesso frame which we have lightly restored. A beautiful painting with much atmosphere which exudes a feeling of calmness and serenity.. Circa 1760-1800. The canvas measures 53cm X 67cm and framed it measures 82cm X 95cm BIOGRAPHY. Even in her babyhood the child Catherine was "so fair of visage " that all the people rejoiced at her beauty. At seven years of age she was sent to school, where "she drank plenteously of the well of wisdom." Her father was so delighted with her precocity that he had built a tower containing divers chambers where she might pursue her studies. Seven masters were engaged to teach her, the best and "wisest in conning" that could be found. So rapid was their pupil's progress that she soon outstripped them in knowledge, and from being her masters they became her disciples. When the princess was fourteen, her father died, leaving her heir to his kingdom...

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