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C. G. Schierholz Hard-Paste Porcelain Pair of "Harvesters", Plauke Germany, c. 1865 – Large 50 cm Figures

Price

GBP 1,200

| USD \$1,624 | EUR 1,404

Item Reference: SA1174631**Date of manufacture: 1860**

Dimensions

Height = 50.5 cm (19.9")

Width = 19 cm (7.5")

Depth = 17 cm (6.7")

Description

An impressive large pair of 19th-century German porcelain figures from the Plauke Porcelain Manufactory (C. G. Schierholz), dating to circa 1865. Finely modelled in hard-paste porcelain with a lustrous clear glaze, each figure stands barefoot on a naturalistic oval base against a tree-stump support. The young harvester in a brimmed straw hat wears striped breeches and an open shirt; a sickle handle hangs at his side (blade now lacking). His companion, the female harvester, wears a soft blue skirt patterned with tiny sprigs, an off-the-shoulder blouse and a deep amethyst corset, holding a bundled sheaf and carrying a matching hat with ribbon; she also retains the sickle handle (blade lacking). The palette—pastel blues, mauves and straw-yellow with gilt accents—is characteristic of Schierholz's late-Romantic taste, while the modelling shows crisp attention to hands, drapery and hair, conveying the poised dignity typical of Plauke sculpture. At scale approaching 50 cm, the pair has commanding presence, ideal for a mantel, pier table or console in a Victorian, Country House or Neo-Classical interior. Marks & Attribution The underside of each base shows the underglaze-blue cro...

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