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Rare pair of Derby porcelain figures "Dresden Shepherds", William Duesbury & Co., England c.1760, rococo bases with lamb and dog

Price

GBP 900

| USD \$1,216 | EUR 1,053

Item Reference: SA1175990

Date of manufacture: Georgian

Dimensions

Height = 26 cm (10.2")

Width = 12 cm (4.7")

Depth = 10 cm (3.9")

Description

A rare and important early Derby porcelain pair by William Duesbury & Co., depicting a shepherd with dog and shepherdess with lamb. Made around 1760, these figures mark the transition from the Pale Period (model D17) to the later "Dresden Shepherds." Each stands on a pierced rococo base with applied bocage. The shepherd carries a basket of flowers beside his hound, while the shepherdess gathers flowers in her apron with a lamb at her feet. The modelling, translucent soft-paste body, and richly fired enamels illustrate Derby's adaptation of Meissen prototypes by Johann Joachim Kändler into a softer, distinctly English Rococo idiom. Listed in Peter Bradshaw, *Derby Porcelain Figures 1750–1848* (Faber & Faber, 1990, pp. 211–212). Comparable examples reside in the Victoria & Albert Museum and the Fitzwilliam Museum. Measurements Man: Height 25.7 cm (10.1?); Width 12 cm (4.7?); Depth 11 cm (4.3?); Weight 700 g Woman: Height 26 cm (10.2?); Width 12 cm (4.7?); Depth 10 cm (3.9?); Weight 624 g Condition Man – Historic professional restoration and minor overpainting; firing crack beneath base, Woman – Minor kiln marks and light professional retouching. Excellent antique conditio...

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