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**HENRIETTA DE BEAULIEU
DERING JOHNSTON
(1674-1729) - EARLY 18TH
CENTURY PASTEL PORTRAIT
OF A LADY.**

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1191590****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 45 cm (17.7")

Width = 38 cm (15.0")

Depth = 2 cm (0.8")

Description

A fine and diminutive early 18th century pastel portrait of a beauty attributed to Henrietta de Beaulieu Dering Johnston. Executed in rapid strokes on buff paper this charming work retains much of its original bright pigments. The elegant sitter has her hair upswept in the style of the period and with her wide eyes and rosebud lips she is a beguiling beauty. She wears the typical silk clothing of ladies of the period in a 'state of careless undress' as it was known in the period. In her case a bright red wrap over over a white chemise which falls off her shoulders. This work has all the impact of a much larger portrait of the period and comes housed ready to hang in its original early ebonised fruitwood frame with sanded gilt slip. Henrietta Johnston was born in northern France around the year 1674. In 1687, her family fled to London to escape religious persecution. In 1694, she married a son of baronet and moved to Ireland. While in Ireland, Henrietta learned to make pastel portraits. Henrietta's husband died in 1704, leaving her a widow with two young children. She remarried in 1705. Her second husband, Gideon Johnston, was a minister in the Anglican Church. He had...

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