

SA1200350

Derby Pair of Porcelain Figures "Boy Reading a Book and Girl Tatting", c. 1785

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1200350****Date of manufacture: Georgian**

Dimensions

Height = 16.5 cm (6.5")

Width = 9.3 cm (3.7")

Depth = 11 cm (4.3")

Description

This fine Derby porcelain pair corresponds to model no. 314, adapted from the earlier 1771 design no. 184. The scene depicts a gentleman seated with a book beside a young woman practising tatting, holding a lace shuttle in her right hand. The female figure is decorated with a deep cobalt-blue skirt enriched with gilded floral motifs, a pink bodice with gilt accents and a gilt necklace, while the male figure is painted in harmonising polychrome enamels. Both figures are seated on ornate rococo chairs supported by pierced scrolled bases with floral ornament and gilded highlights. The popularity of this composition resulted in repeated reissues in varied colourways during the late 18th and 19th centuries. The factory numbering remains preserved to the bases. Dimensions Girl – height 16.5 cm; width 9.3 cm; depth 11 cm; weight 500 g. Boy – height 17 cm; width 9.3 cm; depth 12.5 cm; weight 608 g. Condition Girl – minor losses to gilding; small loss to the tatting shuttle in the right hand. Boy – restored left leg; restored right arm from the shoulder including the book; chair repaired, the restoration is of a reasonably good standard; minor losses to gilding. Please stud...

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