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Watercolour & Gouache Portrait: The S.S. Greyhound (H84), 1911 by Alexander Harwood

Price

GBP 1,250

| USD \$1,692 | EUR 1,463

Item Reference: SA1219636**Date of manufacture: 1910**

Dimensions

Height = 48 cm (18.9")

Width = 66.5 cm (26.2")

Description

Alexander Harwood (British, 1873–1943) | The S.S. Greyhound (H84), 1911 An interesting piece of Edwardian British maritime folk art by the celebrated pier-head painter Alexander Harwood (1873–1943). Painted in 1911, this watercolour and gouache portrait depicts the steam trawler S.S. Greyhound (H84) navigating a dramatic, churned North Sea swell. The vessel was originally built in 1889 by the celebrated Hull shipbuilders Cook, Welton & Gemmell for the Humber Steam Trawling Company. Born in Scarborough and a celebrated British "Pierhead Painter", Harwood spent his life working directly alongside the fishing fleets as a fish porter. This firsthand, gritty familiarity with the vessels manifests in the draftsman-like precision of the Greyhound's rigging, hull registration, and the thick charcoal smoke billowing from her funnel. Today, Harwood's culturally significant documentations of Great Britain's industrial fishing golden age are highly sought after, with several of his ship portraits preserved in the permanent collection of the Aberdeen Maritime Museum. While this 1911 painting brilliantly captures the Greyhound in her proud Humber Steam Trawling livery, it serves ...

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