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Antique Royal Doulton English Porcelain Cabinet Dish, "Orchids" ~ David Dewsberry

Price

GBP 895

| USD \$1,211 | EUR 1,047

Item Reference: SA1220514**Date of manufacture: 1910**

Dimensions

Height = 22 cm (8.7")

Width = 28 cm (11.0")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

A fine and rare Early 20th Century Antique English Edwardian Royal Doulton Porcelain Lobed Cabinet Dish with heavily gilded border and footring, "Cattleya Trianae, also known as Flor de Mayo, { "May Flower" }, or "Christmas Orchid", " painted by David Dewsberry, active at Doultons from 1889 to 1919, having joined the company after training under the Alcocks at the Hill Pottery, Burslem, and having won the first medal ever awarded to a student at the Wedgwood institute. Acknowledged as a master painter of orchids, he studied the plants in the conservatories of the Duke of Sutherland, Joseph Chamberlain and other orchid-growers. A great music lover, he conducted the Burslem Congregational Church choir for 33 years. The church remembered his "unstinted voluntary work which raised the standard of the musical portion of our services to a very high level". His gravestone at Burslem Cemetery bears the words "gone to join the choir invisible". This dish, an excellent example of his work in this genre, bears on the obverse the faintly underlined signature of the artist, viz. "D. Dewsberry", the reverse with the Royal Doulton puce printed backstamp as used from 1902 - 1922 followi...

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