

SA1224893

Royal Worcester Blush Ivory Cairo Water Carriers by James Hadley, 1901-1902

Price

GBP 700

| USD \$945 | EUR 819

Item Reference: SA1224893**Date of manufacture: Edwardian**

Dimensions

Height = 23 cm (9.1")

Description

An outstanding matching pair of Royal Worcester Blush Ivory porcelain figures, modelled by the celebrated sculptor James Hadley and produced in 1901 and 1902. The figures depict a male and female Egyptian water carrier carrying traditional water vessels, a subject drawn from everyday life in Cairo and from the wider Orientalist taste of the late Victorian and Edwardian period. Modelled under shape number 1250, the figures show Hadley's refined handling of costume, movement and facial expression. The soft Blush Ivory ground, with delicate apricot shading, gives depth to the modelling and provides an elegant contrast to the richly applied Raised Gold ornament. The raised gilding was built up in relief, covered with 24-karat gold and carefully burnished by hand with agate tools, creating the sculptural brilliance associated with Royal Worcester's finest decorative work. Both figures retain their original Royal Worcester printed factory marks, the impressed shape number 1250 and the original British Registration design number. Complete matching pairs of this model are increasingly difficult to find and remain highly desirable among collectors of Royal Worcester and fine Eng...

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