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**Attributed to Isidore Pils
(1813–1875) Provenance to
1951 Oil Painting**

Price

GBP 695

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Item Reference: SA1225073

Date of manufacture: 1870

Dimensions

Height = 30 cm (11.8")

Width = 23 cm (9.1")

Description

Attributed to Isidore Pils (1813–1875) Portrait of a Young Red-Haired Woman. A captivating portrait of a young red-haired woman, attributed to the French academic painter Isidore Pils. The sitter is believed to appear in another portrait by the artist, suggesting she may have been a favoured model during the later years of his career. Although unsigned, the painting is accompanied by an original auction catalogue clipping relating to its sale at Bruun Rasmussen in 1951, supporting its longstanding attribution. The work is thought to date from the closing years of Pils's career, when he served as Professor at the École des Beaux-Arts in Paris. During this period, his portraits display a greater intimacy and refinement, contrasting with the grand religious and military subjects for which he is best known. Isidore Pils was one of the leading French academic painters of the nineteenth century. He entered the École des Beaux-Arts in 1831, studying under François-Édouard Picot. In 1838 he won the prestigious Prix de Rome with his history painting Saint Peter Healing a Lame Man at the Door of the Temple. Despite fragile health, he completed the traditional residency at the Fren...

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