

SA1227744**DAVID SCOUGALL
(c.1610-c.1680) - OIL ON
CANVAS PORTRAIT OF ELLEN
NAPIER.**

Price

GBP 12,000

| USD \$16,238 | EUR 14,041

Item Reference: SA1227744**Date of manufacture: 17th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 92 cm (36.2")

Width = 76 cm (29.9")

Depth = 3 cm (1.2")

Description

Fine 17th century oil on canvas portrait of Scottish noblewoman Ellen Napier by David Scougall (c.1610 - c.1680). The elegant sitter is depicted half length within an oval cartouche and she is dressed in the high status and fashionable brightly coloured silk clothing of the period. Gold or saffron coloured robes such as the one worn by our sitter were extremely fashionable and costly. Her costume has a low and wide neckline that reveals her décolletage, it also has jewelled fastenings and her shawl is held in place by a gem and pearl set brooch at her bosom. Her luxuriant locks are pinned upwards, and a single curl tumbles across her bare shoulder. Her look is complete by large pearl drop earrings and a single strand pearl necklace. Throughout the 17th century there was a thriving trade in pearls, which were transported from Asia to Europe. The Gulf of Manner (between South India and Sri Lanka) was one of the pearl diving hotspots of the period. Divers would weight themselves with heavy stones to plunge into the depths, and they often had to retrieve as many as 1000 oysters before they discovered a single pearl. With her jewel studied dress, earrings, and necklac...

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