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PIETER BORSELER (c. 1634 - 1687) - PORTRAIT OF A LADY PICKING ORANGES c.1655.

Price

GBP 10,000

| USD \$13,506 | EUR 11,696

Item Reference: SA1227746

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 89 cm (35.0")

Width = 79 cm (31.1")

Depth = 2 cm (0.8")

Description

ATTRIBUTED TO PIETER BORSELER (c. 1634 - 1687) - PORTRAIT OF A LADY PICKING ORANGES c.1655. Fine, richly coloured and highly detailed portrait of a lady picking oranges c.1655 attributed to Pieter Borsseleer (1618-1660). The elegant silk-clad sitter is depicted half length, in a confection of richly coloured drapery which is held together with jewelled fastenings and has strings of pearls strung across it. Her cloak is formed from fabric that has been woven with thin stripes of metal thread or 'tinsel' that was designed to catch the light. She stands next to an orange tree which sits within an urn decorated with a grotesque mask. Her elegant neck is extended and as she turns to face the viewer she picks an orange. The artist has typically chosen to emphasise the smooth pearly white skin of the sitters gently sloping shoulders and décolletage, which are further offset by her necklace and earrings. Her hair is worn in curls, some of which frame her face, whilst others cascade naturalistically around her bare shoulders. It is also perhaps worth noting the expressive use of the sitters lower arms as a focus of attention and site of erotic appeal as she gathers the fruit.

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