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MEZZOTINT PORTRAIT OF OLIVER CROMWELL (1599-1648) - BY JOSEPH SYMPSON AFTER SIR PETER LELY.

Price

GBP 720

| USD \$982 | EUR 840

Item Reference: SA1231841**Date of manufacture: 17th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 49 cm (19.3")

Width = 39 cm (15.4")

Depth = 2 cm (0.8")

Description

OLIVER CROMWELL (1599-1648) - BY JOSEPH SYMPSON AFTER SIR PETER LELY. Fine and comparatively rare mezzotint portrait of Oliver Cromwell (1599-1648) by Joseph Sympson after Sir Peter Lely. Oliver Cromwell, the English statesman, politician and soldier, widely regarded as one of the most important figures in the history of the British Isles. One of three mezzotints of the sitter that we are currently offering, and each depicts the sitter bust length in armour. Oliver Cromwell is one of the most famous figures in British history. For some he provokes strong emotions, even more than 350 years after his death. He is known throughout the world, and was voted one of the ten most important figures in British history in 2001. There are a number of reasons why Cromwell is significant and is worthy of focus today: Cromwell was from a relatively humble background, born and brought up in relative obscurity from a 'middling sort' family in Huntingdon. He rose to become the first commoner to become Head of State in British history. Cromwell divides opinions: partly this is down to those after the Restoration who wanted blacken his name, partly because some of his actions, such as...

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