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LITHOGRAPH COLOURED
PRINT OF SUEZ EGYPT AFTER
WATERCOLOUR PAINTING
BY ARTIST DAVID ROBERTS
RA C1839 SIZE 30.75 X 25
INCHES

Price

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Description

A fine coloured lithograph print of Suez Egypt after the original watercolour painted by artist David Roberts RA with two sailing fishing vessels seen beached on the sandy shoreline. ABOUT THE ARTIST David Roberts RA (24 October 1796 – 25 November 1864) was a Scottish painter. He is especially known for a prolific series of detailed lithograph prints of Egypt and the Near East that he produced during the 1840s from sketches he made during long tours of the region (1838–1840). These, and his large oil paintings of similar subjects, made him a prominent Orientalist painter. It was J.M.W. Turner who managed to persuade him to abandon scene painting and devote himself to becoming a true artist. Roberts set sail for Egypt on 31 August 1838, a few years after Owen Jones. His intent was to produce drawings that he could later use as the basis for the paintings and lithographs to sell to the public. Egypt was much in vogue at this time, and travelers, collectors and lovers of antiquities were keen to buy works inspired by the East or depicting the great monuments of ancient Egypt. Roberts made a long tour in Egypt, Nubia, the Sinai, the Holy Land, Jordan and Lebanon. Througho...

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