

SA248304

SOLD...Portrait of a Young Girl and Her Pet Cat c.1850; English School.

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Item Reference: SA248304

Date of manufacture: 1850

Description

Oil on canvas in part gilt frame. A charming 19th century naive portrait of a child and her pet; seated in a landscape the girl looks calmly at the viewer...unlike the cat, which looks distinctly cross at being held still. Naive portraits of this type were often executed by travelling artists who moved from district to district painting portraits of the moderately well-off. Although the portrait may appear to have a slightly 'stiff' appearance, there is a feeling that this is an accurate representation of the little girl's appearance. SIZE: 51 x 41 inches inc. frame.

PROVENANCE: Viscountess Hambleden, Hambleden Manor. This portrait was selected by John Fowler, of Colefax and Fowler, in the 1950s, for Hambleden Manor, home of the Viscountess Hambleden. It hung there until this year when the countess moved to a smaller property on the estate. The decoration and furnishing of Hambleden Manor is regarded as one of Fowler's earliest major achievements. (Image 7 shows the Manor.)

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