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**SOLD....Portrait of a
Noblewoman c.1600-1620:
Anglo-Dutch School**

Price

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Item Reference: SA25102

Date of manufacture:

Description

Oil on canvas in reproduction 'cassetta' frame. This extremely high quality portrait depicts an aristocratic lady of mature years, a coat of arms to her right. The lady stands directly facing the viewer, her expression and gaze confident; this 'full frontal' pose was, at this time, usually reserved for men of power and thus makes a considerable statement as to the prestige and status of the sitter. Her clothing, with the hugely expensive 'reticella' lace, elaborate embroidery and princely display of jewels, demonstrates vast wealth. This portrait is a symbol of power for an independently minded woman - yet the image is not a mere icon. There is humour and good nature to the face...as well as a strong sense of an autocratic will. Although the names of sitter and artist are as yet unknown this is a fine portrait of a noblewoman in the mould of Elizabeth I and Bess of Hardwick.. a strong, powerful woman succeeding in a man's world. SIZE: 38 x 32.75 inches inc. frame. PROVENANCE: Private Collection, Edinburgh for the last 30 years. (Bought by the previous owners in Surrey in 1977)

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