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**SOLD...Portrait of a Lady
c.1650 by Theodore Russell**

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Date of manufacture:

Description

Oil on canvas. A very attractive example of the small-scale portraits, often of the Society beauties of the time, that became very fashionable in the mid 17th century. They are usually very Van Dyck influenced in mood and presentation; sets of these can be found in many great houses such as Knole, Knebworth and Woburn as well as in the Royal Collection. THEODORE RUSSELL (1614-1688/9) is considered to be the painter of these portraits, although there is no certain evidence to support this. Russell's father had left Bruges in 1573 and settled in London, working as a goldsmith. Theodore studied under Cornelius Johnson and Sir Anthony Van Dyck, becoming employed by such patrons as the 3rd Earl of Essex and the 1st Earl of Holland. He was said to be 'a lover of ease and his bottle'

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