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Portrait of an Elizabethan Lady,
17th century; English School.

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Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Description

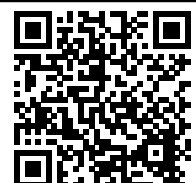
Oil on oak panel in a later cushion frame. Inscribed left with the date 1603 and the name and age of the sitter, Lady Alicia, 25. To the right is a coat of arms. This small painting's detail in the clothing is beautifully observed and painted. As is typical of the period, the portrait is on two oak panels which, inevitably, over the centuries have moved, leaving a mark visible running down the centre. This is more visible in some lights than others..in some lights it is not noticable. These images have been taken with a light intentionally showing the mark strongly. Obviously a painting 400 years old will have some damages and restoration in its life, and this is no exception. However, it is a rare and lovely little thing and priced realistically. The blazon of the arms is Gules a Bend sinister over all three Cinquefoils Argent. What is noticeable about the arms is the bend sinister, the diagonal stripe from the top right of the shield to the bottom left as you look at it. This charge is not often used in older arms as it commonly denotes bastardy. What is even more unusual is the fact that it appears behind the cinquefoils. The arms, as they appear, are not in the ...

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