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Portrait of a Lady, 19th Century; Circle of Franz Xaver Winterhalter (1805-1873)

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA437615****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 95 cm (37.4")

Width = 81 cm (31.9")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

Oil on canvas. This luxurious portrait is essentially about feminine beauty and its close perspective imbues it with an aura of subtle intimacy. The sitter is elegantly dressed in a white and blue satin chiffon dress with a blue ribbon and enveloped in a sumptuous wrap. Finely detailed throughout with the most stunning drapery with its delicate folds and there is a virtuoso in the art of conveying the texture of the fabrics. The artist was also careful to realistically depict how light reflects upon this. The wrap is so well executed it is almost photographic. The face and hair is also very pleasing and evidence of the artist's skill and finesse. A fine example. Presented in its original fine quality gilt frame, decorated with leaves and acorns, and ascribed to Winterhalter on a presentation label. Winterhalter was favoured by both Queen Victoria (who commissioned around 120 of his portraits) and also Queen Elizabeth II, The Queen Mother, and it is his flattering and unfailing ability to capture a good likeness that encouraged many to patronise him so frequently. Measurements: Height 95cm, Width 81cm framed (Height 37.5", Width 32" framed) Franz Xaver Winterhal...

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