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Portrait of a Lady c.1630,
Dutch, Oil on panel

Price

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Item Reference: SA485209

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 73 cm (28.7")

Width = 61 cm (24.0")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This portrait is a good example from The Dutch Golden Age which was a period in Dutch history, roughly spanning the 17th century, in which Dutch trade, science, military, and art were among the most acclaimed in the world. Dutch explorers charted new territory and settled abroad. Trade by the Dutch East-India Company thrived, and war heroes from the naval battles were decorated and became national heroes. During this time, The Dutch Old Masters began to prevail in the art world, creating a depth of realistic portraits of people and life in the area that has hardly been surpassed. The Golden Age painters depicted the scenes that their discerning new middle class patrons wanted to see. This new wealth from merchant activities and exploration combined with a lack of church patronage, shifted art subjects away from biblical genres. Still lifes of items of everyday objects, landscapes, and seascapes reflecting the naval and trade power that the Republic enjoyed were popular. The large group portrait is also a standard subject often of a civic organisations. The new wealthy class were keen to have their portraits commissioned and thus many artist's worked in this lucrative ...

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