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George Marks, 1857-1933
The Beach and Chalk Cliffs at
Beer Devon, with Fishermen
and a Family on the Pebble
Beach

Price

GBP 3,500

| USD \$4,736 | EUR 4,095

Item Reference: SA486013**Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 25 cm (9.8")

Width = 38 cm (15.0")

Depth = 3 cm (1.2")

Description

George Marks, 1857-1933 The Beach and Chalk Cliffs at Beer Devon, with Fishermen and a Family on the Pebble Beach Signed/Inscribed: on the reverse " BEER DEVON / GEORGE MARKS / SHERE / GUILDFORD / SURREY " pencil and watercolour 25 x 38 cm. (9.3/4 x 15in.) Provenance : By family descent from the artist. Notes Beer is mentioned in the Domesday Book of 1086, at which time it was located within Colyton hundred and had 28 households. Its name is not derived from the drink, but from the Old English word bearu, meaning "grove" and referring to the original forestation that surrounded the village. It is a pretty coastal village that grew up around a smugglers' cove and caves which were once used to store contraband goods. These are now part of the attraction of the village. Many of the buildings are faced with flint, a hard glassy stone found in the local chalk rock. Beer grew up around a smuggler's cove and the caves, which still characterize this picturesque town on Lyme Bay. The men of Beer were once known as the 'the very kings of smugglers' and the caves were used to store all kinds of contraband. However, surprisingly, the town does not take its name from the barrel...

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