

SA538015

Mary, Queen of Scots, 17th century.

Price

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Item Reference: SA538015

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 28 cm (11.0")

Width = 25 cm (9.8")

Depth = 3 cm (1.2")

Description

Small oil on panel in a late 18th century giltwood frame. This is an exquisite image of Mary, only eleven and a quarter inches tall including the frame. Many posthumous images of Mary survive but this is a rare early one painted on an oak panel; originally rectangular, it was altered in the past to fit within this simple and elegant Georgian frame of c.1780. This portrait was painted in the 17th century, based on a miniature of 1578 by Nicholas Hilliard. After the Stuarts came to power with the accession of Mary's son James I, a process of history rewriting took place, and continued almost to the present day. All through the 17th century, and later, portraits of Mary were created. Mary had been called an adulteress and traitor by the English and was beheaded for plotting to assassinate her cousin Elizabeth I, but under the Stuarts she was presented as a beautiful and religious princess unjustly executed for her Catholic faith. MARY, QUEEN OF SCOTS (born as Mary Stewart and known in French as Marie Stuart; 1542 – 1587), was Scottish queen regnant from 14 December 1542 to 24 July 1567. In the lists of Scottish sovereigns, she is recognized as Mary I. (Not to be confused...

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