

SA623891

**Captain John Harvey
Commander HMS Brunswick
Coloured Naval Portrait
Engraving**

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA623891****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 67 cm (26.4")

Width = 53 cm (20.9")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

Captain John Harvey (9 July 1740 – 30 June 1794) was an officer of the British Royal Navy whose death in the aftermath of the battle of the Glorious First of June where he had commanded HMS Brunswick terminated a long and highly successful career and made him a celebrity in Britain, a memorial to his memory being raised in Westminster Abbey. - Born in 1740 at Eastry, Kent, John Harvey was the son of Richard and Elizabeth Harvey née Nichols, local gentry. Entering the Navy in 1754, Harvey began a long family naval tradition, taken up by his brother Henry Harvey a few years later. His first ship was HMS Falmouth, a fifty-gun fourth rate in which he stayed for five years into the Seven Years' War. In 1759, promoted to lieutenant with the patronage of Admiral Francis Holburne and distant relation Sir Peircy Brett, Harvey joined the sloop-of-war HMS Hornet and frigate HMS Arethusa, taking shore pay in 1762 at the war's conclusion. The same year he married Judith Wise of Sandwich, Kent and the couple had large family, their sons including several future admirals - Between 1766 and 1768, Harvey commanded the sloop HMS Alarm off Scotland but following promotion in 1768 he was aga...

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