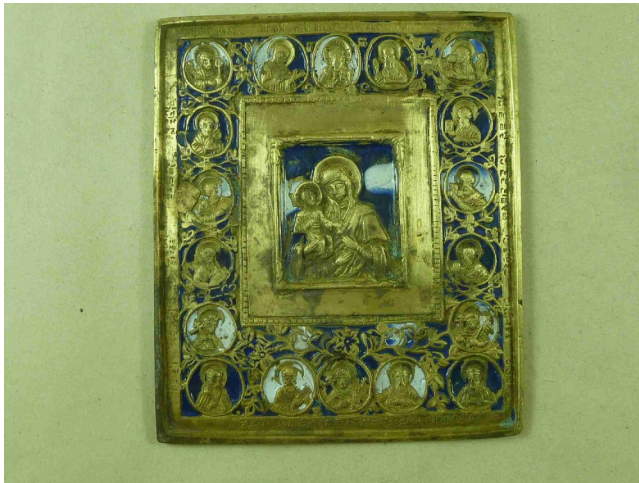


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Russian Orthodox Enamel Brass Icon Mother of God Three Hands Trojerucica Plaque Virgin

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA728714****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 14.4 cm (5.7")

Width = 12.3 cm (4.8")

Description

A Russian enamelled brass plaque icon, 19th century. The Mother of God "Of The Three Hands" showing the Virgin Mary with the third hand. The border with eighteen roundels depicting the Deisis, Archangels and Prophets. In good sound condition with typical losses to the enamel. 4,7/8" x 5,11/16" or 123mm x 144mm, weight 333 grams. ***** The Icon of the Mother of God, "Of the Three Hands": In the eighth century during the time of the Iconoclasts, Saint John of Damascus (December 4) was zealous in his veneration of holy icons. Because of this, he was slandered by the emperor and iconoclast Leo III the Isaurian (717-740), who informed the Damascus caliph that Saint John was committing treasonous acts against him. The caliph gave orders to cut off the hand of the monk and take it to the marketplace. Towards evening Saint John, having asked the caliph for the cut-off hand, put it to its joint and fell to the ground before the icon of the Mother of God. The monk begged Our Lady to heal the hand, which had written in defense of Orthodoxy. After long prayer he fell asleep and saw in a dream that the All-Pure Mother of God had tu...

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