

SA761883

Antique Pair French Pastel & Gouache Portraits Mid 19th Century

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA761883****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 33 cm (13.0")

Width = 29 cm (11.4")

Depth = 3 cm (1.2")

Description

This is a pair of charming oval half-length pastel and gouache portraits of French aristocratic ladies, one bears an indistinct signature to the bottom right, and they are Circa 1840 in date. This sensitively constructed pair of oval portraits feature two young ladies executed by a professional hand, they are posing facing left and right with styled bouffant powdered hair. They have bright vibrant colours, are finished in great detail to the highest of standards and are in their original gilt frames each decorated with a carved beaded slip. Condition: In really superb condition the paintings and frames having been beautifully cleaned, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 33 x Width 29 x Depth 3 Dimensions in inches: Height 13.0 x Width 11.4 x Depth 1.2 Pastel Paintings The true nature and definition of pastel is "to be dry." It is not a wet medium like most forms of painting. Its dry, stick-like quality allows pastel to have a close association with drawing, which can be used as both a verb and noun. As a verb, it describes the physical act of mark-making to create the appearance of an image, form, or shape. As a noun, it describes the produ...

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