

SA872354

Pair of military landscape oil paintings of volunteer rifle soldiers by Frederick Henry Howard Harris

Price

GBP 17,900

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Item Reference: SA872354

Date of manufacture: 1870

Dimensions

Height = 66.5 cm (26.2")

Width = 94.5 cm (37.2")

Depth = 8.5 cm (3.3")

Description

Frederick Henry Howard Harris British, (1829-1901) Volunteer Rifle Soldiers by a Country House & Companion Oil on canvas, pair, one signed & dated 1872 Image size: 19.5 inches x 30.5 inches (each) Size including frame: 26.25 inches x 37.25 inches (each) A fantastic pair of military paintings of British Volunteer Soldiers at an encampment by Frederick Henry Howard Harris. The paintings depict the annual fortnightly camp of two volunteer Rifle Corps. Britain has a long history of recruiting part-time civilian soldiers to help defend its shores, using conscription from 1757. The conscription ballot ended in the early 19th century, however troop shortages after the Crimean War (1854-56) prompted the creation of the volunteer force movement in 1859. Many local Volunteer rifle, artillery and engineer corps were subsequently formed, consisting of men from local trades and businesses. From 1859 to 1908 they played a vital role in national defence until the formation of the Territorial force. The part-time soldiers were required to train for certain number of days each year as well as attend an annual camp which took place over a fortnight. The camps were mainly to provide realis...

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