

SA933277

Charles Robert Leslie RA
1794-1859
Portrait of Sir Isaac Newton
PRS 1643-1727

Price

GBP 2,500

| USD \$3,383 | EUR 2,925

Item Reference: SA933277

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 30 cm (11.8")

Width = 22 cm (8.7")

Depth = 2 cm (0.8")

Description

Charles Robert Leslie RA 1794-1859 Portrait of Sir Isaac Newton PRS 1643-1727 oil on canvas 30 x 22 cm. Sir Isaac Newton PRS (25 December 1642 – 20 March 1726/27) was an English mathematician, physicist, astronomer, alchemist, theologian, and author (described in his time as a "natural philosopher"), widely recognised as one of the greatest mathematicians and physicists of all time and among the most influential scientists. He was a key figure in the philosophical revolution known as the Enlightenment. His book *Philosophiæ Naturalis Principia Mathematica* (Mathematical Principles of Natural Philosophy), first published in 1687, established classical mechanics. Newton also made seminal contributions to optics, and shares credit with German mathematician Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz for developing infinitesimal calculus. In the *Principia*, Newton formulated the laws of motion and universal gravitation that formed the dominant scientific viewpoint until it was superseded by the theory of relativity. Newton used his mathematical description of gravity to derive Kepler's laws of planetary motion, account for tides, the trajectories of comets, the precession of the equinoxes and ot...

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