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Portrait of a Gentleman in a Blue Coat and Powdered Wig
c.1775; By Henry Walton
(1746-1813), Oil on Panel, Rare
example of the artist's work

Price

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Item Reference: SA938856

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 33 cm (13.0")

Width = 28 cm (11.0")

Depth = 3.5 cm (1.4")

Description

A superb and rare example of the artist's work. This portrait is a fine example of the late 18th century English school, where the sitter is portrayed in a standard gentlemanly manner. Depicted in a blue coat with large gold buttons, white cravat, and a fashionable powdered wig which has been tied at the nape of the neck in a queue, it is striking in its recording of the respectable, learned, and amiable character of the sitter. It has been very finely painted, similar in detail to the work of a miniaturist, in the mid to late 1770's when Walton had established a reputation as a fine painter. The format, overall style, and the finely rendered face are characteristic features of his work. Henry Walton (1746–1813) was a most pleasing and exquisite English painter, art dealer, art connoisseur, and art expert. He was a man whose company was much sought after because of his pleasant disposition a fact to be deduced from his paintings his high spirits, and his amusing anecdotal conversation. Walton was a friend of most of the English artists of his day, and it is probable that, since he was a friend of Gainsborough and was known to cherish a great admiration for that painter...

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