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Sir Godfrey Kneller 1646 -
1723

Portrait of Charles Seymour,
6th Duke of Somerset
1662-1748 wearing Garter
Robes

Price

GBP 5,500

| USD \$7,447 | EUR 6,436

Item Reference: SA962478

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 76.2 cm (30.0")

Width = 63.5 cm (25.0")

Depth = 1 cm (0.4")

Description

Sir Godfrey Kneller 1646 - 1723 Portrait of Charles Seymour, 6th Duke of Somerset 1662-1748 wearing Garter Robes oil on canvas 76.20 x 63.50 cm. This half length portrait of the 6th Duke of Somerset in Garter Robes is a smaller version of the three quarter length portrait in Collection of the Duke of Northumberland, Alnwick Castle, Alnwick, Northumberland. Notes Charles Seymour, 6th Duke of Somerset (13 August 1662 - 2 December 1748), known by the epithet "The Proud Duke", was an English peer. He rebuilt Petworth House in Sussex, the ancient Percy seat inherited from his wife, in the palatial form which survives today. According to the Encyclopædia Britannica Eleventh Edition, he was a remarkably handsome man, and inordinately fond of taking a conspicuous part in court ceremonial; his vanity, which earned him the sobriquet of "the proud duke", was a byword among his contemporaries and was the subject of numerous anecdotes; Macaulay described him as "a man in whom the pride of birth and rank amounted almost to a disease". Charles Seymour was the second son of Charles Seymour, 2nd Baron Seymour of Trowbridge (died 1665), of Marlborough Castle in Wiltshire, by his wife ...

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