

SA979509

18th-Century German School, Pair Of Companion Portraits - Antique Oil Paintings

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA979509****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 85 cm (33.5")

Width = 72 cm (28.3")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

This fine pair of late 18th-century German School portraits depict a charming husband and wife. With right hand held under his jacket, a sign of assured leadership, he's a man of distinction. His brown suit lacks frivolity but conveys sophistication. It's interesting to compare his style with that of Brooke Boothby (c.1744-1824) in a portrait by Wright of Derby. Our gentleman buttons up covering the majority of his cravat. While her outfit is a little trickier to decipher but she could be wearing a caraco, which is a small close-fitting jacket. These were generally worn with a skirt in a contrasting colour. It's interesting to note her headwear as it reflects the changing times of the 1780s when hairstyles were becoming a little quieter. Simple coiffures, often worn with a hat, replaced the fantastical headdresses of the 1770s. There's a sense of refinement to these portraits - they capture a significant couple with a distinguished reputation. Held in early 20th-century brass repoussé-clad frames. Medium: Oil on canvas Overall size: 28½" x 33½" / 72cm x 85cm Year of creation: c. 1780 Condition: Artwork presents well. Canvas relined. Fine craquelure but the paint is ...

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