

SA989272

Late 19th-Century Eastern European School, Landscape With Farm Buildings - Antique Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA989272****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 65 cm (25.6")

Width = 108 cm (42.5")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This masterful late 19th-century Eastern European oil painting depicts several rustic farm buildings bathed in resplendent Summer heat. It's possibly Romania or Ukraine. Dominated by light effects, this exquisite realist work skillfully captures an array of complex sunlit structures - some thatched, others tiled. In the thick shade of a coppice, two figures amble up a dirt track, while another heads towards them. And on the left, an illuminated farmhand in near-white guides two cattle. Each rendered sublimely with careful consideration and deft handling. During the mid to late 19th century, European artists often looked to convey a sense of national identity, selecting subjects which brought gravitas to working-class communities and their environments. Many of the leading lights trained initially in national academies before furthering their development in Paris - returning home to apply their craft. This homogenisation of technique led to a similarity in European styles, yet a contrast in the emphasis placed upon nature. For instance, the approach here is similar to realist artists working in France and Germany during the same period, although the topography is consid...

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