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Pair of Derby Hand-Painted Rose Cabinet Plates, Circa 1810

£75

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Height: 1 cm (0.4")

Diameter: 24 cm (9.4")

Description

A fine and decorative pair of Derby porcelain cabinet plates, hand-painted with roses and dating to circa 1810. Elegant in both form and decoration, the plates reflect the high standard of flower painting for which Derby was celebrated during the early 19th century.

Each plate is centred with a richly painted spray of roses, their softly shaded petals rendered in tones of pink, cream, and red, accompanied by delicate leaves and smaller flowering sprigs. The compositions have a pleasingly naturalistic quality, combining the romance of an English garden with the refinement of Regency porcelain. The carefully painted botanical decoration is enhanced by the smooth, luminous porcelain ground and the restrained elegance of the plate form.

Derby was among the leading English porcelain manufactories of the period, admired for the skill of its painters and for its ability to translate the fashionable taste for floral decoration into beautifully finished table and cabinet wares. Roses were a particularly cherished subject, lending these plates a timeless decorative appeal that remains as attractive today as it was over two centuries ago.

Presented as a pair, they make an elegant display on a wall, within a cabinet, or on a table setting, and would be a lovely addition to a collection of Regency porcelain, English flower-painted ceramics, or Derby ware. Their soft colouring and graceful floral decoration allow them to sit beautifully in both traditional and contemporary interiors.

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