A Henry VIII carved oak portrait panel, circa 1520

£1,550



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Height: 22.7 cm (8.9")

Width: 20 cm (7.9")

Description

Carved with the bust of a female, facing to sinister, wearing a coif with decorated brim, her simple garment with narrow collar, within a crimson silk-velvet covered frame, dimensions overall: height 31.8cm, width 29.5cm

The depiction of pronounced breasts is extremely rare for this period. Unlike the more common 'Romayne' type portrait panels, where a Renaissance inspired classical bust is carved within a laurel wreath/roundel, here an attempt is made at realism, albeit with emphasis on female 'attributes'

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