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A PAIR OF GEORGE III POLE SCREENS

England, *circa* 1790

A closely related pair of pole screens with identical bases were sold Christie's, *Orchardleigh Park*, 21 - 22 September 1987, lot 410.

The design of these pole screens is comparable with designs by Gillows which are illustrated in *Gillow Furniture Designs* by Lindsay Boynton, fig. 223 & 225. Susan Stuart notes correspondence in the Gillows records showing discussions with their client about pole screens. In 1783, oval fire screens were made 'to rise & fall wth. an oval panel coverd. with. your needlework & silk £1.3s.6d.'

A rare and very fine quality pair of George III Sheraton period satinwood and painted pole screens. Each with adjustable oval panel with finely silk embroidered figures glazed and framed with tulipwood crossbanding. The pole with urn finial and urn base beautifully decorated with fine foliate paintwork, supported on three splayed legs united by a platform stretcher and terminating in peg feet.

Literature:

Susan E. Stuart, *Gillows of Lancaster and London*, vol.II, p. 121

Height: 4' 8¹/₄" in (143 cm)

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