

A fine George I needlework panel, English, circa 1720

£3,850



REF: 3140

Height: 50.2 cm (19.8")

Width: 62.6 cm (24.6")

Depth: 3.5 cm (1.4")

Description

Petit-point, gros-point and long-stitch worked in coloured silks and wools, depicting a country village scene of blossom-crowned couples dancing around a flower-bedecked Maypole, accompanied by a bagpiper, other revellers drinking and looking on, a hound bounding in the foreground, a bird and butterfly to the sky, an acorn-laden oak tree behind, within an ornamented cartouche surrounded by abundant foliage, buds and flowers including rose, daisy, carnation and poppy-head. Dimensions including frame height 54cm x width 66.5cm.

For a comparable English image of villagers dancing around a Maypole dated to circa 1750, see Elmbridge Museum Collection, Surrey, accession number 6.1914, oil on board.