



**18TH CENTURY ENGLISH PASTORAL
OIL PAINTING OF SHEPHERDESS
ATTRIBUTED TO WHEATLEY**

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Decorate a wall, study, or intimate powder room with this charming antique pastoral painting created in England circa 1780. Executed in oil on board and attributed to Francis Wheatley, the composition depicts a young shepherdess resting beside a rocky outcrop, tenderly watching over her sheep and lambs in a serene countryside setting. The scene captures the gentle sentiment and romanticized rural life characteristic of late 18th century British painting.

The artwork is set in its original richly carved giltwood frame, featuring elegant Rococo-inspired motifs with scrolling foliage, floral clusters, and shell accents, all enhanced by a warm, time-softened gilt patina that complements the painting beautifully.

The antique painting is in excellent condition commensurate with age and use, with a pleasing surface and soft, harmonious colors. The verso retains an old provenance label referencing a 19th century Manchester collection, adding to its authenticity and charm.

Francis Wheatley was a noted English painter known for his pastoral and genre scenes, often depicting idyllic rural life with figures in landscape settings. His works are documented in the Benezit Dictionary of Artists.

Dimensions: 10"W x 11"H