





## EARLY 20TH CENTURY FRENCH PAINTED FAIENCE HENRIOT QUIMPER DISHES, SET OF 4

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Enhance your shelf, or kitchen island with this exquisite set of antique Quimper serving dishware or vide-poches. Crafted in Quimper, France circa 1920, each hand-painted faience shell-form dish has scalloped edges, and depict a Breton male or female dressed in traditional attire surrounded by foliage and floral blooms. These charming illustrations are gracefully united at the top by a ribbon bow. The wonderful wall faience pieces are in excellent condition commensurate with age and use, with rich and vibrant colors. The decorative serving dishes would make an outstanding addition to your porcelain collection as they are both decorative and functional, they are ideal for displaying candies, snacks, nuts, or even serve as a cooking utensil rests. Signed Henriot Quimper for further authentication. Hanging wire in the backs for easy installation. Quimper pottery has a long, impressive history. Tin-glazed, hand painted pottery has been made in Quimper, France since the late seventeenth century. The earliest firm, founded in 1685 by Jean Baptiste Bousquet, was known as HB Quimper. Another firm, founded in 1772 by Francois Eloury, was known as Porquier. The third firm, founded by Guillaume Dumaine in 1778, was known as HR or Henriot Quimper. All three firms made similar pottery decorated with designs of Breton peasants and maritime and flower motifs. The Eloury (Porquier) and Dumaine (Henriot) firms merged in 1913. Bousquet (HB) merged with the others in 1968. The group was sold to a United States family in 1984. More changes followed, and in 2011 Jean-Pierre Le Goff became the owner and the name was changed to Henriot-Quimper. The French firm has been called Societe Nouvelle des Faienceries de Quimper HB Henriot since March 1984. Pottery was made in Quimper when the city was part of the Roman Empire, long before tin-glazed pottery was being made. Measures: 4.5" W x 1" D x 7.5" H.