



PAIR OF EARLY 20TH CENTURY FRENCH FAIENCE COASTER PLATES SIGNED HENRIOT QUIMPER

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Decorate a coffee table or a shelf with this elegant pair of antique plates. Created in Brittany, France circa 1910, and signed by De La Haubardiére Quimper, the hexagon shaped hand-painted trays are dressed with twisted rope like handles, and feature maritime fishing scenes decorated with a two-tone blue leaf arabesques border. One platter, depicts an woman in a green dress and white bonnet carrying a fishing net and basket. The other plate depicts a man in Breton attire, complete with a wide-brimmed hat and blue vest, casting his line out in the water. The scene captures a moment of everyday life in rural Brittany, celebrating the heritage and spirit of the region. The colorful faience platters are in excellent condition commensurate with age and use, and marked with the HR stamp underfoot for further authentication (for Henriot Quimper). These small decorative plates would make an outstanding addition to your porcelain collection and could serve as coasters or saucers, for cups and mugs. 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: 8" W x 7.75" D x 1" H.