

Basic Detail Report



Holy Virgin and Child, Elizabeth and Saint John

Date

Mid-16th century

Primary Maker

Jan van Amstel

Medium

Oil on panel

Description

This is an oil on panel painting. In the foreground is a grouping of four figures: the Virgin Mary, Elizabeth, a young John the Baptist, and Baby Jesus. Elizabeth wears a blue/gray cloth and her head is wrapped in a headdress. Her arm rests on Mary's shoulder. Mary wears a deep blue color and is draped in red fabric with a gold cord around her waist. Her hands are folded as if in prayer. The Baby Jesus in Mary's lap: he holds his right hand raised at John the Baptist, index finger and middle finger pointing toward him. John the Baptist kneels before the Child. He hold a cross and wears a brown tunic. This scene is in the woods. Small white flowers are clustered around the subject.

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Dimensions

Overall, Frame: 37 x 30 x 2 1/2 in. (94 x 76.2 x 6.4 cm)