

Chinese hand painted rice paper pictures

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REF: 6489 Height: 12 cm (4.7") Width: 17 cm (6.7") Framed Height: 24 cm (9.4") Framed Width: 29 cm (11.4")

Description

A set of eight mid 19th century Chinese hand painted figural scenes on rice paper in gilt frames, circa 1850.

Six are in landscape format frames and measure 29×24 cm Two are in portrait format frames and measure 19×24 cm

Chinese rice paper painting, also known as "xuan paper" painting, is a traditional art form characterised by delicate brushwork and fluid, expressive strokes. Artists use soft rice paper to capture subjects like landscapes, birds, flowers, and calligraphy, blending ink and water-colours with a harmonious, ethereal quality. The paper's absorbent nature requires skilful control, as each brushstroke is permanent, encouraging an intentional, meditative approach. This art form embodies balance, simplicity, and the graceful beauty of nature.