## VAN HAM

## Lot 297



Auction	Decorative Art
Date	16.11.2022, ca. 15:03
Preview	11.11.2022 - 10:00:00 bis 14.11.2022 - 18:00:00

SEVEN PLATES "FLORA DANICA".

Royal Copenhagen. Date: 20th century. Maker/Designer: Model J.C. Bayer. Technique: Porcelain, enriched in colors and gold. Measurement: Ø 26cm. Mark: Manufactory mark, wave mark, Latin plant names.

Flora Danica (lat. Danish flora) is the name of a botanical atlas that was started in 1753 by Christian Oeder, director of the Botanical Garden in Copenhagen. It took 122 years until the entire flora of the Danish state was recorded in the manner of a herbarium - and the extensive encyclopedia was completed. In 1790, the Danish Crown Prince and later King Frederick VI ordered an extensive dinner service from the Royal Porcelain Manufactory in Copenhagen, which was to bear not only the name but also the motifs of 'Flora Danica'. It was intended as a gift for the Russian Tsarina Catherine II, who died in 1796, before the service was completed in 1802. Thus deprived of its original purpose, the service was kept by the Danish Court, where parts of it are still used for state banquets at Christiansborg Castle.

Estimate: 2.000 € - 2.500 €; Hammer: 3.300 €