

Thomas Rowlandson



View of Glastonbury town and abbey

Reference: 10920

Dimensions:

Height: 27.40 cm / 10¾ in

Width: 43.10 cm / 17 in

Pen and grey ink and watercolour and pencil

27.4 x 43.1 cm.; 10 ¾ x 17 inches

Provenance

Christie's, London, 21 November 2002, lot 20; where bought by the previous owner;

Private collection, U.K., until 2022

The present work is a significant example of Rowlandson's landscape draughtsmanship. It probably dates from the same time as a smaller view of Glastonbury showing the abbey from the main street and marketplace of the town in the collection of the Victoria & Albert Museum (Dyce Collection) which was etched by the artist as plate 24 of Rowlandson's *World in Miniature*, No. 2, 1816. Rowlandson has used a certain amount of artistic license in his interpretation of the topography.