



**19TH CENTURY DUTCH SHEEP
PAINTING IN CARVED GILT FRAME
SIGNED FRANS LEBRET**

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Set in the original carved gilt wood frame, this antique oil on canvas was crafted in Europe circa 1860. The pastoral artwork depicts sheep in stable with dog and shepherd watching on in the background. The painting is signed on the lower right corner by the artist, Frans Lebrecht. The artwork is in excellent condition with great details and beautiful pastel colors; it is set in a splendid and elegant gold leaf frame with floral and leaf motifs in high relief. Artist listed in the Benezit. The canvas has been relined. Frans Lebrecht (1820-1909) was born in Dordrecht and was known for his Dutch landscapes mainly with sheep. Thanks to financial help from his brother Gerrit who had a sugar estate in Java, and his job as a drawing teacher, Frans was able to survive his first years as a painter. Later he became quite successful and was able to live off the sale of his landscape paintings with animals. In 1863, together with his brother Jan Hendrik, he traveled to Indonesia to visit his brother Gerrit at his sugar estate near Pasuruan in Java. The two brothers stayed in Indonesia for five months. He died in 1909 in Dordrecht. Measures: 34.75" W x 30.5" H.