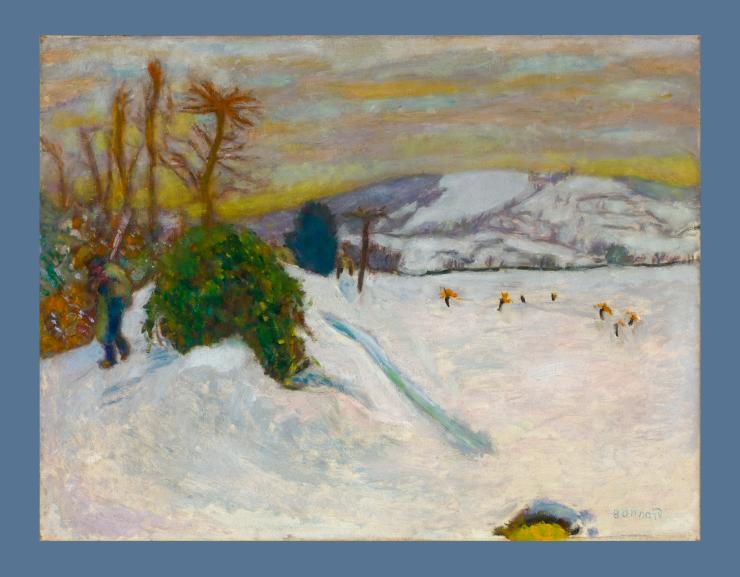
Pierre Bonnard



1867-1947 | FRENCH

La neige au Grand-Lemps



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Oil on canvas | 1910 Signed "Bonnard" (lower right)

Canvas: 19 $^{1}/_{2}$ " high x 25 $^{1}/_{2}$ " wide | 49.53 cm x 64.77 cm Frame: 28 $^{1}/_{2}$ " high x 34 $^{3}/_{4}$ " wide x 3" deep

72.39 cm x 88.27 cm x 7.62 cm



It's not a matter of painting life, it's a matter of giving life to painting.

- Pierre Bonnard





ierre Bonnard stands among the greatest colorists in art history. His captivating canvases are widely celebrated for their singular luminosity and visual complexity—the great Henri Matisse himself hailed them as "pure painting." This exceptionally rare landscape, *La Neige au Grand-Lemps* (*The Snow at Grand-Lemps*), is both a sentimental subject for the artist and a masterful display of his lifelong fascination with the color white.

After initially studying law, Bonnard committed fully to painting in the late 1880s, becoming a founding member of one of the most influential Post-Impressionist groups, Les Nabis. Alongside Édouard Vuillard and Maurice Denis, Bonnard drew inspiration from Gauguin's Symbolist movement, infusing his works with poetic meaning through bold color and sensational patterns. Around 1900, Bonnard drifted away from the bustle of Paris and traveled Europe with Vuillard—a period that would change his art forever.

Painted in 1910, *La Neige au Grand-Lemps* reflects this transformative moment in Bonnard's oeuvre, when he developed an affinity for the countryside and changing seasons. Unlike the Impressionists who painted *en plein air*, Bonnard painted almost entirely from memory—and this painting evocatively depicts the scenery of his idyllic childhood in Le Grand-Lemps. This work also reveals Bonnard's obsession with capturing the elusive brilliance of white.

He composes the entire painting around this color, carefully layering hundreds of subtle hues to bring the snow, ice and winter sky shimmering to life.

Bonnard's landscapes are exceptionally difficult to find, and this one has descended through the artist's own family until now and has been exhibited worldwide since the 1940s. Similar works are now held by the world's leading museums, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Tate Modern, the Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza and the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. The Musée Bonnard is also an entire museum dedicated to the artist's legacy near Cannes in the South of France, where this important work was exhibited in 2024.



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Charles Terrasse (the artist's nephew), Paris, by descent from the artist

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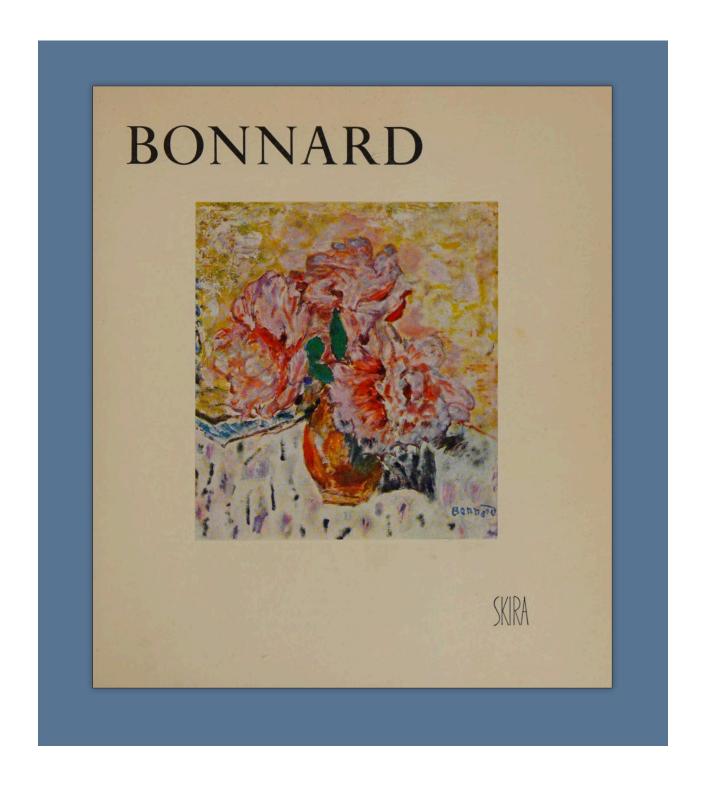
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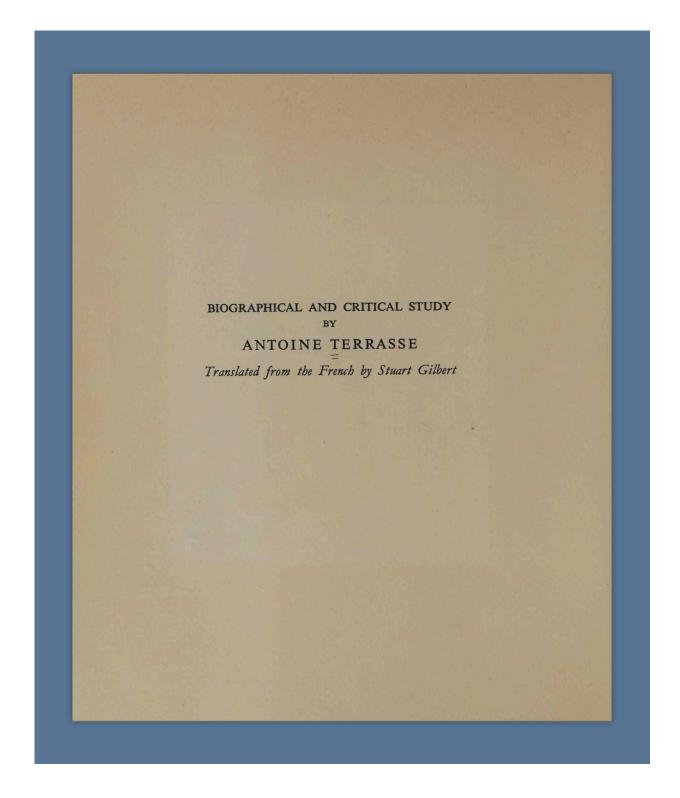
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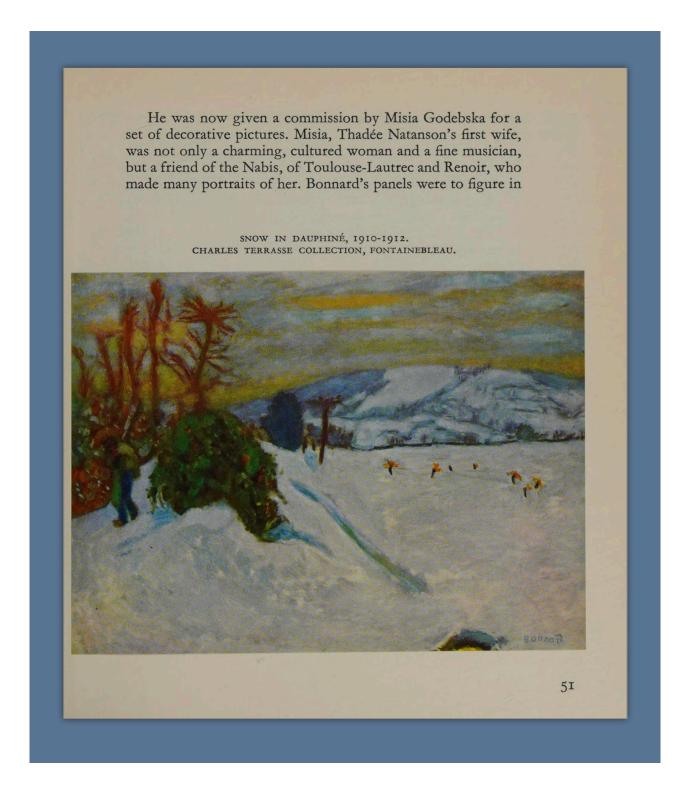
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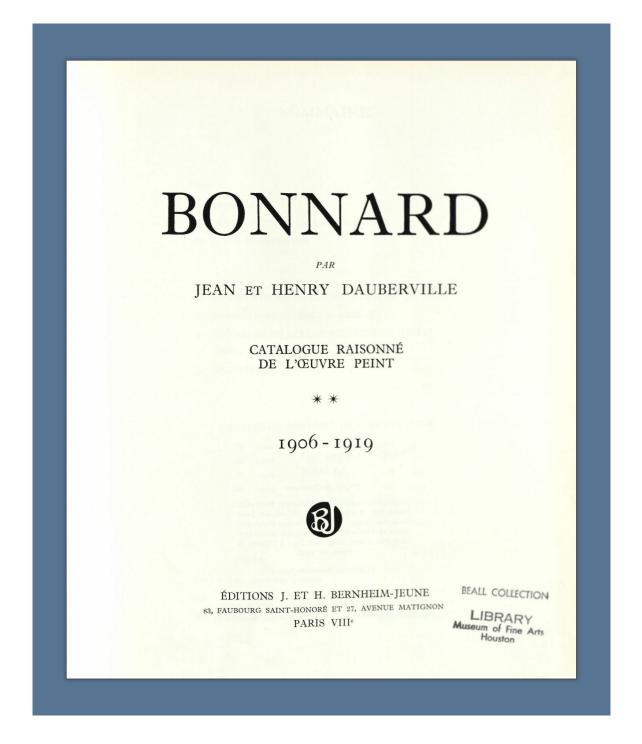
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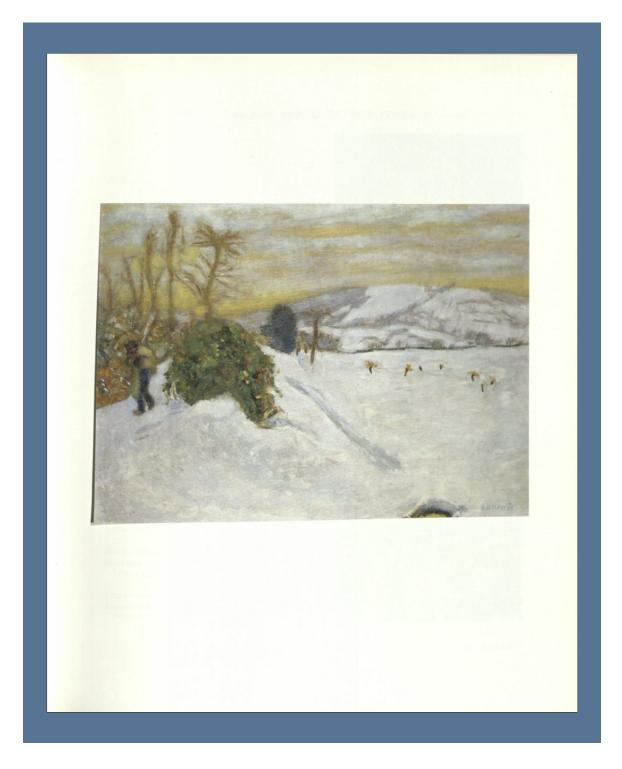
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Effet de neige or Le Cannet sous la neige

Snow Effect or Le Cannet in the Snow

c. 1927

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Oil on canvas} \\ 74 \times 49 & 29\frac{1}{8} \times 19\frac{1}{4} \\ \text{Signed lower right} \\ \text{Kunstmuseum, Winterthur} \end{array}$

Proceanace: Galerie L'Art Moderne, Lucerne; Collection Heinrich Wolfer, Winterthur; Kunstmuseum, Winterthur.

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In 1925, Bonnard bought as a winter "Le Bosquet" (The Grove). He had the habit of renting villas in the Midi, particularly in Grasse from 1910 to 1912. Then, seduced by Le Cannet, he decided to settle there.

Snow-covered southern landscapes are rare in the work of Bonnard. In the beginning, he painted a number of snowcovered Parisian scenes and streets as well as landscapes of the Dauphiné in the snow. Here, he was certainly struck by his familiar view now curiously transformed under a blanket of snow.

Antoine Terrasse wrote of this painting, "Several fine patches of color in Le Cannet sous la neige, put down in exactly the right place with extreme precision, are enough to evoke the shading of the planes. And the things that emerge from the white of the snow and so remain visible: the bushes, the walls of the houses, the mountains in the distance. Looking at this painting, how can you not recall the concise and suggestive art of the Far East? A snow-covered landscape certainly requires this concise handling, for one only sees in nature what the snow is not hiding. But much more attention is necessary to keep the rare landmarks in their place. This brings to mind the single play of black and white in an engraving.

Bonnard encompasses the arc of sky with a dark-brown band which is perhaps a tree branch viewed from nearby. It corresponds to a darker band of color in the lower half of the painting, suggesting a sloping window ledge or the edge of an open country road.

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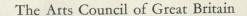
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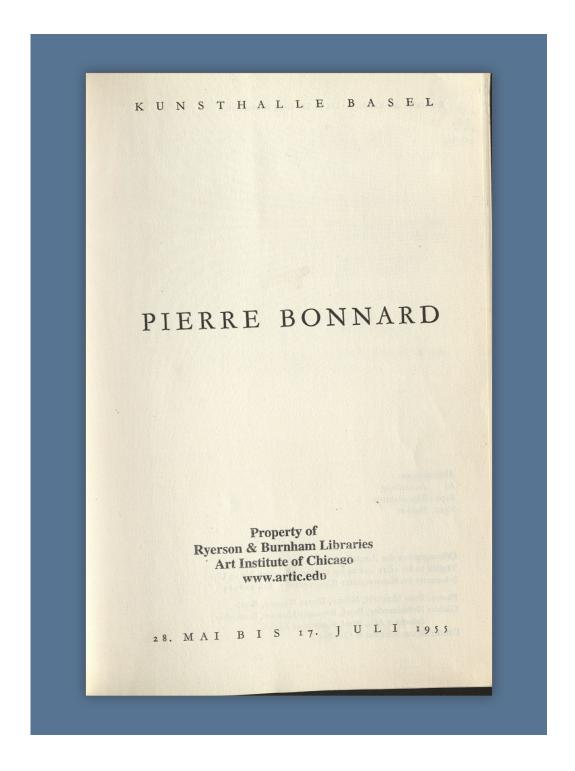
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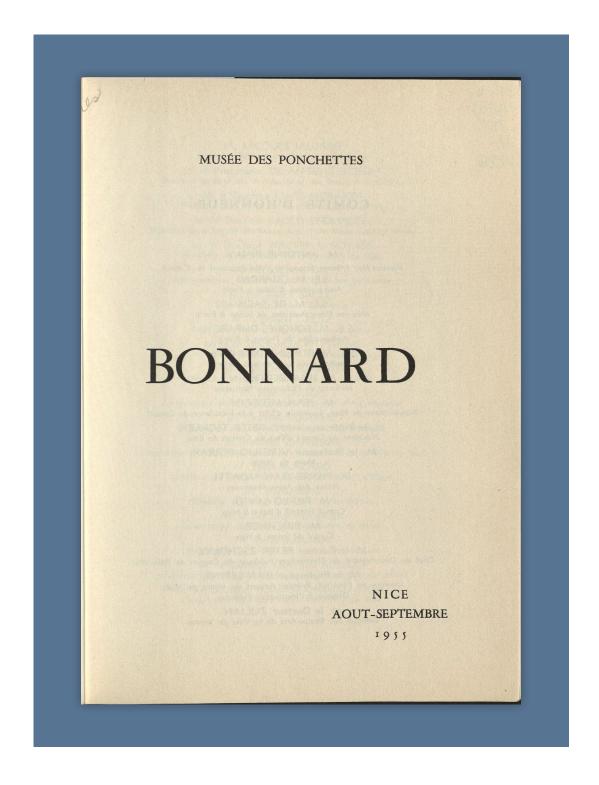
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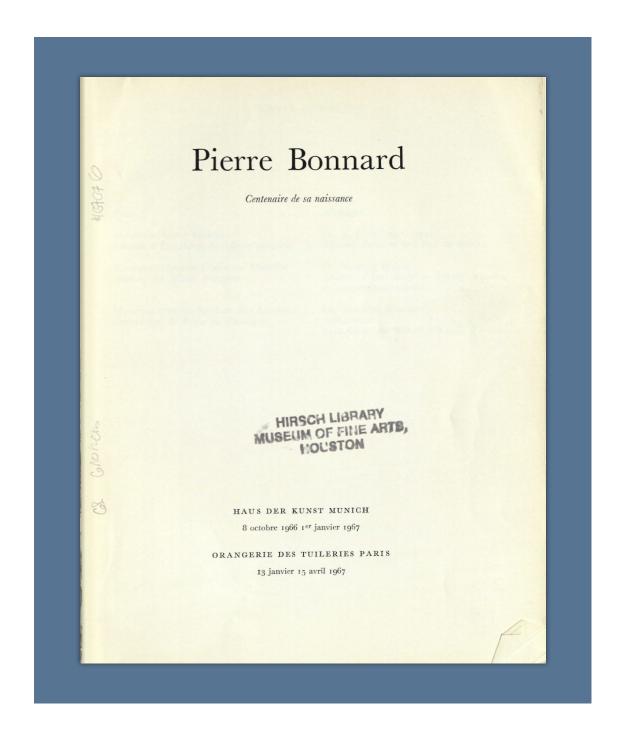
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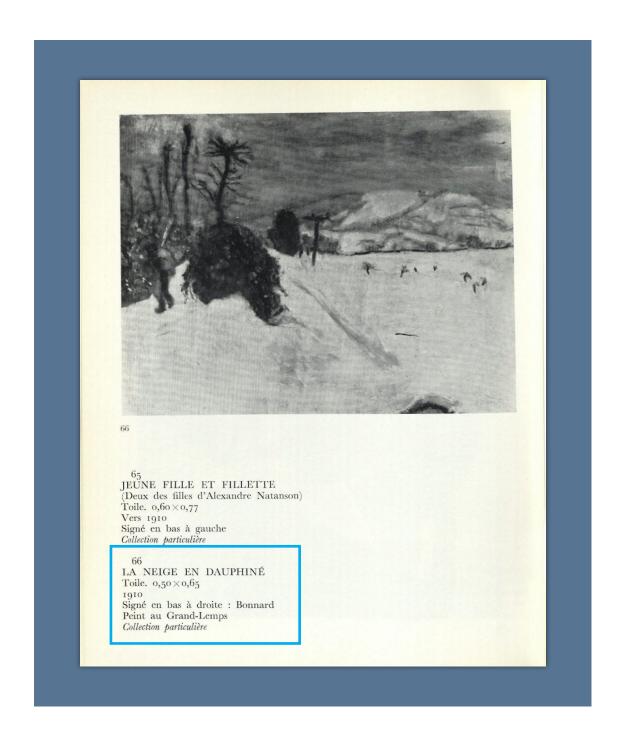
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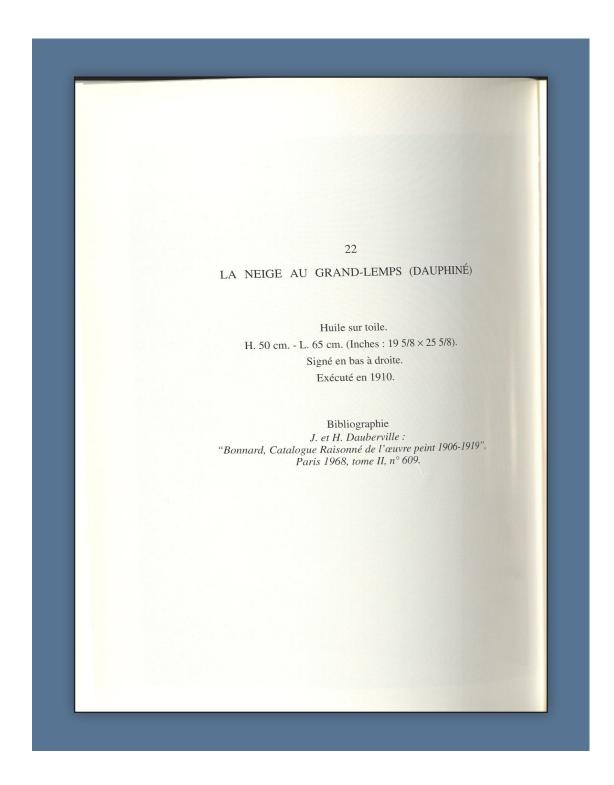
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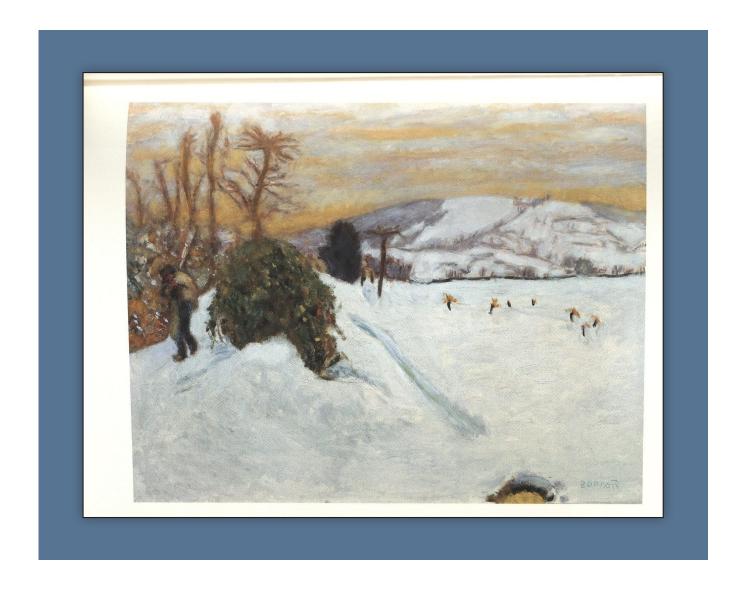
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Pierre Bonnard

La Terrasse ou Une terrasse à Grasse

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Christie's New York

Impressionist and Modern Art Evening Sale – [Lot 0042A]

est. 5,000,000 - 8,000,000 USD

19,570,000 USD (P)

145% est



Pierre Bonnard

Place Clichy

oil on canvas Height 102 x Width 116.5 cm. Height 40.157 x Width 45.866 in. 1906–1907 **19 June 2006** over 19 years ago

Sotheby's London

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est. 2,500,000 - 3,500,000 GBP est. 4,598,933 - 6,438,507 USD **4,152,000** GBP (P)

7,637,909 USD (P)

19% est



Pierre Bonnard

Bord de mer, pins et rochers rouges

oil on canvas Height 96 x Width 72.4 cm. Height 37.795 x Width 28.504 in. 1923 09 November 2023 about 2 years ago

Christie's New York

20th Century Evening Sale - [Lot 040 B]

est. 1,000,000 - 1,500,000 USD

2,954,000 USD (P)

↑ 97% est



Pierre Bonnard

Coup de soleil - La terrasse de Ma roulotte à Vernonnet

oil on canvas Height 53 x Width 41 cm. Height 20.866 x Width 16.142 in. 1916 24 June 2008 over 17 years ago

Christie's London

Impressionist and Modern Art Evening Sale – [Lot 00040]

est. 400,000 - 600,000 GBP est. 785,700 - 1,178,550 USD **1,071,650** GBP (P)

2,104,989 USD (P)

↑79% est

AUCTION COMPARABLES



Pierre Bonnard Paysage de Cannet

oil on canvas Height 70 x Width 80 cm. Height 27.559 x Width 31.496 in. 1925 **07 May 2014** over 11 years ago

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est. 1,000,000 - 1,500,000 USD

2,045,000 USD (P)

1 36% est



Pierre Bonnard

Paysage au toit rouge (Le Cannet)

oil on canvas Height 64 x Width 57 cm. Height 25.197 x Width 22.441 in. 1945–1946 **02 May 2006** over 19 years ago

Christie's New York

Impressionist and Modern Art Evening Sale – [Lot 00013]

est. 1,200,000 - 1,600,000 USD

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Pierre Bonnard

Matinée d'automne (La Grande vue de Vernon)

oil on canvas Height 107.5 x Width 131 cm. Height 42.323 x Width 51.575 in. 1922 **07 May 2013** over 12 years ago

Sotheby's New York

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Pierre Bonnard | *The Yellow Boat*

Circa 1936-38

Medium: Oil on canvas

Dimensions: $22^{7/8}$ x $29^{5/8}$ inches | 58.1 x 75.4 cm





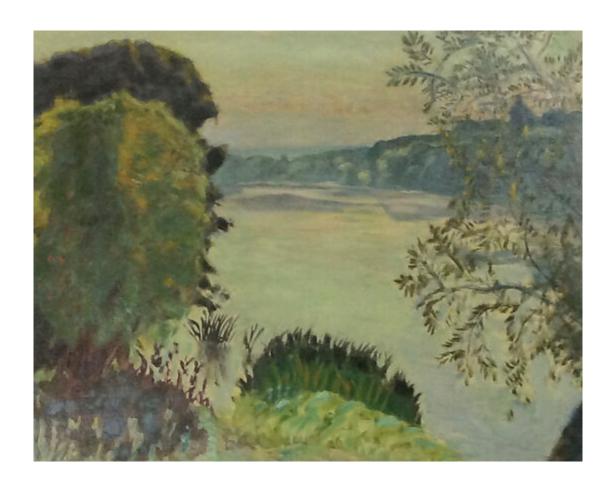
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Pierre Bonnard | *The Seine at Vernon*

Circa 1925

Medium: Oil on canvas

Dimensions: $19^{1/4}$ x $23^{3/4}$ inches | 48.9 x 60.3 cm





The Metropolitan Museum of Art New York, NY, United States

Pierre Bonnard | The Green Table

Circa 1910

Medium: Oil on canvas

Dimensions: $20^{1/16}$ x 25 inches | 51 x 65 cm



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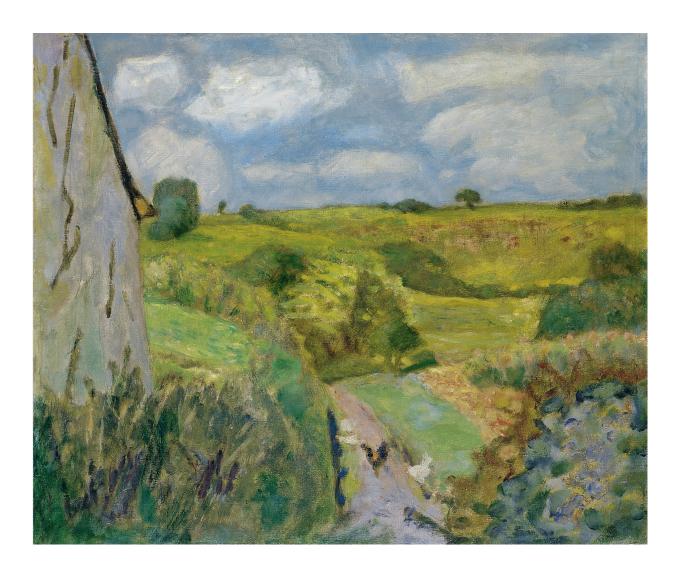
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Pierre Bonnard | *The Dipping Path*

Circa 1922

Medium: Oil on canvas

Dimensions: $18^{1/4}$ x $21^{3/4}$ inches | 46.3 x 55.3 cm



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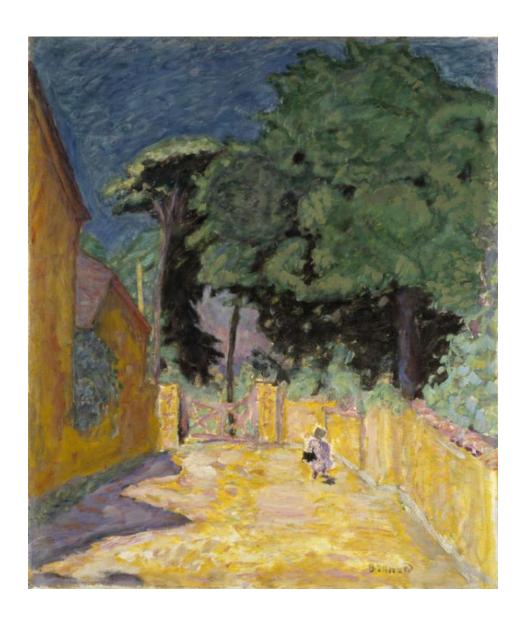
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Pierre Bonnard | Lane at Vernonnet

Circa 1912-14

Medium: Oil on canvas

Dimensions: 30 x 25 inches | 76 x 65.2 cm





National Galleries of Scotland *Edinburgh, Scotland*

