

# Buying at Strauss & Co

## A step by step guide for buying at auction

### 1. BROWSE UPCOMING SALES

The sale can be viewed on our website: [www.straussart.co.za](http://www.straussart.co.za)

Catalogues can be purchased from our offices or by subscription.

Digital catalogues can be viewed on [www.straussart.co.za](http://www.straussart.co.za).

#### Cataloguing information

1. **Descriptions** include size, date, medium and attribution of the lot. Where possible, provenance, literature, exhibitions and additional notes are also included.
2. **Estimates** are given for all lots and are based on recent prices achieved for comparable property, taking into account quality, condition and provenance. Estimates are exclusive of Buyer's Premium and VAT.
3. **The reserve** is a confidential figure between Strauss & Co and the seller below which a lot may not be sold. It never exceeds the lower estimate.

Our specialists are available online to advise, discuss and help you with the lots you are interested in.

**Condition reports** are advisable if you are unable to attend the preview. They can be easily accessed online, or can be requested.

**Saleroom notices** amend the catalogue description of a lot after the catalogue has gone to press.

### 2. REGISTER TO BID

To place a bid, you must first register for the auction on our website [www.straussart.co.za](http://www.straussart.co.za). You can do this simply by clicking on the 'Register to Bid' link and completing the short online form.

An email will be sent to you confirming your registration and paddle number. If you are bidding at Strauss & Co for the first time you might be asked for a holding deposit before you are approved to bid.

Prospective bidders who have not previously registered with us are required to register at least 24 hours before the auction commences.

### 3. BID IN THE SALE

#### Submit a bid

Placing a bid before the auction begins allows you to get in on the action ahead of the live bidding that takes place once the auction kicks off. This can be done on our website by clicking 'Submit your bid' on the lot that you are interested in.

#### Absentee bids

If you would like to place a maximum bid that our auctioneer will execute on your behalf, you can complete our Bidding Form, found on our website under 'Auction Details', and submit it to [bids@straussart.co.za](mailto:bids@straussart.co.za). An sms will be sent to you to confirm your bids.

#### Telephone bidding

If you prefer to bid by phone, we will call you from the saleroom and bid with you on the phone. Please complete our Bidding Form, which can be found on our website under 'Auction Details', and submit it to [bids@straussart.co.za](mailto:bids@straussart.co.za). An sms will be sent to you to confirm your bids.

#### Virtual live bids

Once the live auction begins, you will gain access to an exclusive virtual bidding console that simulates all aspects of being at the auction house in a live sale.

Virtual live bidding is user-friendly, safe and secure.

Remember to check our terms and conditions regarding charges, including buyer's premium, which is added to the hammer price on each lot.

Please contact our Client Service Department if we can assist in any way.

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### 4. IF YOUR BID IS SUCCESSFUL

You will receive an invoice and payment instructions shortly after the sale.

#### How do I pay and collect?

All the lots you purchase will be invoiced to the name and address that appear on the registration form.

Please arrange payment and collection immediately after the sale.

#### How much will I pay (Live Auctions)?

If you are successful, you will pay the hammer price plus the buyer's premium on each lot as follows:

12% for lots selling over R20 000,  
15% for lots selling at and below R20 000 + VAT on the buyer's premium on each lot.

#### Methods of payment

Payment may be made by:-

- a) Electronic Transfer (EFT)  
Current Account  
Strauss & Co  
Standard Bank: Killarney  
Bank code: 007205  
Current Account No: 001670891  
Swift address: SBZA ZJ
- b) Credit cards acceptable to Strauss & Co: Mastercard and Visa
- c) Telegraphic Transfer (TT)  
Remitter to bear all costs.

#### Insurance

Please note: Strauss & Co has partnered with iT00 Artinsure to offer an instant online insurance solution to cover purchased lots for transit anywhere in the world for the first 30 days.

To enquire please contact +27 (0) 21 683 6560  
[shipping@straussart.co.za](mailto:shipping@straussart.co.za)

### 5. COLLECTION OF PURCHASES

#### 1. Collection from the Cape Town auction venue

*Welgemeend Manor House  
2 Welgemeend Street, Gardens*

Purchased lots can be collected as the sale unfolds, from Tuesday 10 August to Wednesday 11 August at 12 noon.

**No collections can be made from Welgemeend Manor House after this time as the lots will be in transit.**

#### 2. Collection from Strauss & Co, Cape Town

*The Oval, 1st Floor, Colinton House,  
1 Oakdale Road, Newlands  
Tel: + 27 (0) 21 683 6560*

Purchased lots, excluding furniture, wine and extra large paintings, will be available for collection from Strauss & Co Cape Town from Monday 16 August by appointment only. Please call +27 (0) 21 683 6560 to make an appointment.

#### 3. Collection from Strauss & Co, Johannesburg

*89 Central Street, Houghton  
Tel: +27 (0) 11 728 8246*

Clients wishing to collect from Strauss & Co Johannesburg may make use of the consolidated shipment. Please indicate clearly on your Bid Form or Shipping Instruction Form if you would like a quote, or inform a member of staff. Unless specified by buyers, items will not be insured in transit. Transport costs and insurance costs are for the buyer's account.

Payment of purchases can be done at Strauss & Co upon collection of purchased lots from the Johannesburg office.

In order to take advantage of the consolidated shipment to Johannesburg which offers clients reduced rates, it is imperative to approve shipping quotes immediately.

#### PLEASE NOTE

**Uncollected purchased lots remaining at the Cape Town auction venue, Welgemeend Manor House, after 12 noon Wednesday 11 August will be transported to Strauss & Co's Cape Town office, with the exception of furniture and extra large paintings and sculpture.** As we cannot accommodate these in our Cape Town office they will be sent to storage at the buyer's risk and expense. We therefore advise that shipping is arranged directly from the auction venue.

#### 4. Shipping: door-to-door delivery service and international freight

Please contact our shipping department if you require a quote for local or international door-to-door delivery:

#### Shipping department

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