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A BLACK FOREST CARVED HUNT CLOCK

Dimensions: H: 34 in / 86 cm | W: 17.5 in / 44 cm

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Constructed from native Swiss Lindenwood, the clock movement denoting the hours in enamelled Roman numerals and housed within the base carved with naturalistic details of foliage and flora, surmounted by a bearded huntsman bracing a walking stick and accompanied by his loyal dog.
Brienzen, Circa 1890

Literature:

The Brienzerware hunt clock is a triumph of rococo. Incorporating birds and animals placed with artful asymmetry, alongside foliage and detail of every kind meticulously rendered. Because the hunt clock was made by the finest Brienzerware carvers, human figures were often incorporated into them.

Comparative Literature:

Blackman, Peter F. *Black Forest Woodcarvings: The History of Swiss Brienzerware*. Atglen, Pa: Schiffer Pub, 2009, pp. 242-45, illustrating related examples.