



Pablo Picasso

Les livres de Picasso réalisés par PAB.

Alès, PAB, May 1966. 250 x 165 mm, 16pp., in sheets, in original printed wrappers; inserted three etchings; in custom-made clamshell conservation box, title gilt on spine. Mint copy.

First edition. One of 5 Roman numbered copies on Arches, first and only large paper, this being copy III, with the etching in black, and a suite in red and blue, all three etchings (plate size : 166 x 90 mm) signed in pencil by Picasso. Preface and bibliography by PAB, who numbered and signed the copy underneath the corresponding bibliographical description. One of Picasso's best-known erotic images, strong and simple. No wonder it was used as cover illustration for the catalogue of the exhibition "Picasso érotique" (Paris, 2001). The regular edition of this book (45 copies with the etching in black) has become very scarce, but the edition with three etchings is just not to be found anymore. Cramer 135.