

Oberwesel

David Roberts R.A.

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## Description

David Roberts, R.A. (1796-1864) Oberwesel on the Rhine, Germany

Signed lower right: D. Roberts/1831 Watercolour heightened with bodycolour, scratching out and gum arabic 21.2 by 31.1 cm.,  $8\frac{1}{2}$  by 12  $\frac{1}{4}$  in.

Provenance:

With Thos. Agnew & Sons, London (no.2380); With Walker's Galleries, London

Engraved:

By E. Goodall as a steel engraving, 1831

Roberts visited Oberwesel on his trip down the Rhine in the summer of 1830 (see note to no.28). Oberwesel is a town on the Middle Rhine about 25 miles south of Koblenz. The tower in the foreground, the Ochsenturm or `Ox's Tower' has an octagonal top tower and is part of the town walls originally built in the early thirteenth century with sixteen defensive towers. On the hill beyond is the Schönburg, a castle originally built in the twelfth century.