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1ST CENTURY AD
SIZE : 21.5 CM HIGH X 14 CM WIDE
8½ INS HIGH X 5½ INS WIDE

LITERATURE

IN PTOLEMAIC EGYPT THERE WAS A REMARKABLE COEXISTENCE OF A GREEK CULTURAL HERITAGE, A ROMAN DOMINATION OF THE POLITICAL WORLD AND SOCIAL ORDER AND A FAITH IN THE ONLY PAGAN RELIGIOUS SYSTEM TO OFFER A COHERENT VISION OF THE AFTERLIFE. FROM THIS SPRANG THE REMARKABLE MUMMY PORTRAITS OFTEN CALLED 'FAYUM PORTRAITS', WITH WHICH THIS FINE MARBLE PORTRAIT BUST HAS GREAT SIMILARITIES.