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'Grand Tour' souvenir reduction
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Borghese Vase" .

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1004182

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 16 cm (6.3")

Width = 12 cm (4.7")

Depth = 12 cm (4.7")

Description

Early C19th Italian bronze 'Grand Tour' souvenir reduction , after the antique, of "The Borghese Vase". Well-cast bronze reduction of the ancient marble campana-shaped vase known as "The Borghese Vase" . The original vase is a monumental bell-shaped krater sculpted in Athens from Pentelic marble in the second half of the 1st Century BC as a garden ornament for the Roman market. It was acquired in 1566 by the Borghese family, subsequently bought by Napoleon in 1808 , it is now exhibited in the Louvre Museum , Paris . The frieze depicts an ecstatic Bacchanalian procession, featuring Dionysus, God of wine , and Ariadne. The body of the vase in excellent original condition with a rich original colour and patina. The inner zinc liner having minor areas of wear and corrosion, having probably previously utilised as a flower or plant holder. H 6.5" W 5" D 5" Italy c.1820.

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