

SA1010888

Antique French Neoclassical Ormolu Lyre Cartel Wall Clock

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1010888****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Dimensions

Height = 64.5 cm (25.4")

Width = 27 cm (10.6")

Depth = 11.5 cm (4.5")

Description

~ French - Circa 1870 ~ ~~ Excellent condition, fully overhauled ~~ A large and fine antique French cartel wall clock, beautifully modelled in the form of a lyre in ormolu (finely gilded bronze). The large dial as set in the centre of the instrument, wrapped with acanthus leave scrolls terminated with cockerel heads. The strings of the lyre are hung with swags and flanked with pedestal vases and surmounted with a shield surrounded by laurel leaves and bows. Below the dial, the body of the lyre is hung with extending plumes of acanthus leaves tied with bows. The dial is porcelain enamel on copper with floral swags and beautifully cut and pieced gilt brass hands. The French movement is of high quality and is by Vincenti. It is in excellent clean and running condition having been fully overhauled by our clockmaker. Pendulum is a replacement. It runs for 8 days and strikes the hours and halves on a bell. We have a video of the clock running, please ask and we will send you a link. One notable feature of this clock is the cockerel or rooster heads forming the termination of the acanthus decoration. The origin of this emblem dates back to Ancient history but is believed to...

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