

SA1037421

Fine 19th century French
ormolu mantel clock (pendule)
by Leroy à Paris, c. 1825

Price

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Item Reference: SA1037421

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 46 cm (18.1")

Width = 31 cm (12.2")

Depth = 10.5 cm (4.1")

Description

A most beautiful French ormolu mantel clock by Leroy à Paris. A lovely French late Empire/early Charles X mantel clock with an ormolu case, c. 1825. The ormolu brass case depicts a celebration of Science and Learning. It is dominated by a rectangular superstructure containing the movement, flanked by an engine-turned column with a celestial globe on top on the left and an elegant lady reading a book on the right. The superstructure is surmounted by a bookcase and a bust of Socrates, a laurel wreath, a few books, and some scientific instruments. The stepped base has a fine bas-relief depicting two active putti surrounded by many scientific instruments with a globe on a base in the middle. The whole rests on four block feet, the front two embellished by bas-reliefs depicting an anchor with a rope and leaf motifs. The silvered dial is signed by the maker LEROY A PARIS and is divided into Roman hour, five-minute and minute divisions. The time is indicated by a fine pair of period blue-steel Breguet hands. The dial is surrounded by a floral wreath, with floral and leaf spandrels in the top corners and two cherubs in the lower corners holding a swag. The eight-day movement c...

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