

SA1051257

Early 19th Century French Bronze and Marble Tazzas With Cornucopia Handles

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1051257****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 30 cm (11.8")

Width = 23 cm (9.1")

Depth = 23 cm (9.1")

Description

A Very Fine and Large Pair of Early 19th Century French Bronze and Marble Tazzas with Cornucopia Handles French Circa - 1820 These tazzas have unusual concentric ringed detailing to the feet and the stems or socles have patterns reminiscent of strapwork on silver with additional beaded detailing which are most interesting and unexpected. This section leads to a plain collar and then an outspreading knop with large scale beading and leafwork decoration. The bowl has a relatively low relief gadroon and the rim is ornamented with reeded detailing. The handles on these tazzas are relatively understated but what is particularly noteworthy about them is that the terminals are sculpted as overflowing cornucopias, emblems of plenty, food and entertaining. Perhaps these pieces were originally designed to complement a fine sideboard or serving table in a grand dining room or announce the owner's interest in entertaining to visitors to the house by being displayed prominently in an entrance hall. It is fascinating to speculate. The remainder of the handles are formed of simple scrolls and leafwork casting of excellent quality. The casting of these pieces is very accomplished...

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