

SA1066882

19th Century Decorative Chinoiserie French Marble Topped Bombe Commode

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1066882****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 90 cm (35.4")

Width = 113 cm (44.5")

Depth = 57 cm (22.4")

Description

A Fine and Decorative Late 19th Century French Bombe Commode with Painted or "Japanned" Decoration and Ormolu Mounts French circa 1890-1900 This fine commode, is of Louis XV style, it is made in bombe form, meaning that both the front and sides are outspreading or curved. Making pieces in this style is technically demanding and would only be attempted by the most experienced cabinet workshops. The piece also has a highly decorative shaped apron and top, with its protruding corners, which are both complex shapes for a cabinetmaker to contend with as well. The fact that this piece stands so well is testament to the abilities of both the designer and maker. If the shape of the piece is in itself eye-catching and technically impressive, the decoration used is even more luxurious. The piece is mounted with ormolu corner mounts and sabots of excellent quality with fine gilding and chasing and the top is ornamented with the original marble. The marble used is thick slab of breche de Montmeyan, a French marble predominantly quarried in the 19th and early 20th centuries and particularly favoured for use on pieces of furniture. The top has a beautifully moulded edge which is ye...

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