

SA1133309

Antique French Ormolu & Marble Casket 19th C

Price

GBP 1,275

| USD \$1,738 | EUR 1,488

Item Reference: SA1133309

Date of manufacture: 1800

Dimensions

Height = 20 cm (7.9")

Width = 24 cm (9.4")

Depth = 20 cm (7.9")

Description

This is a fine antique French Empire Revival ormolu and patinated marble casket, circa 1820 in date. Of rectangular form decorated with a central sculpture of a reclining greyhound on the lid of the casket, which lifts off to reveal a casket with a red velvet lined interior. The ormolu casket is raised on lion's paw feet on a Rosso Carpazi marble base decorated with four stylized fish to each corner and wing masked feet to the marble base. There is no mistaking its unique quality and design, which is sure to make it a treasured piece by any discerning collector. Condition: In really excellent condition having been beautifully cleaned and polished in our workshops, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 20 cm x Width 24 cm x Depth 20 cm Dimensions in inches: Height 8 inches x Width 9 inches x Depth 8 inches Ormolu - Gilt Bronze (from French 'or moulu', signifying ground or pounded gold) is an 18th-century English term for applying finely ground, high-carat gold in a mercury amalgam to an object of bronze. The mercury is driven off in a kiln leaving behind a gold-coloured veneer known as 'gilt bronze'. The manufacture of true ormolu employs a ...

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