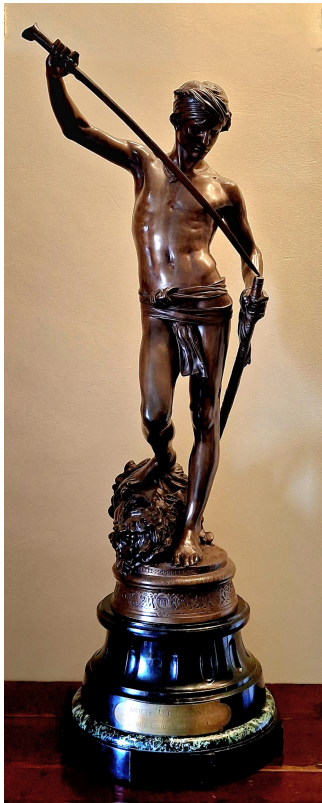


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Bronze Statue of David and Goliath - Antonin MERCIÉ - "David Vainqueur". 1880.

Price

GBP 5,750

| USD \$7,781 | EUR 6,728

Item Reference: SA1143159**Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 74 cm (29.1")

Width = 30 cm (11.8")

Depth = 30 cm (11.8")

Description

Bronze Statue of David and Goliath - Antonin MERCIÉ (1845-1916). "David Vainqueur". 1880. (74cm version)*. Superb patinated bronze figure of "David" cast by Ferdinand Barbedienne, one of the leading bronze fondeurs at the time. The bronze is signed to the base 'A. Mercié', and 'F. Barbedienne fondeur Paris', and includes a reduction stamp for Collas. Plaque to the front of a beautiful and substantial marble stand - dated 8th April 1880 (in Roman numerals) and inscribed "Friends of Friends Lovers" (in French). Superbly detailed and excellent early sculpture / bronze casting. Condition: Excellent patinated bronze in perfect condition. Paired with high quality and heavy marble stand (with some minor frits). Overall height (including stand) = 93.5cm *This superb patinated bronze sculpture is after Antonin Mercié's celebrated original known as 'David Vainqueur', or simply 'David'. The subject is David, the Biblical hero whose tale of heroism and victory against seemingly insurmountable odds has provided fruitful material for artists for centuries. The sculpture depicts a youthful, lithe David standing in contrapposto, one foot raised on the severed head of Goliath. Merc...

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