

SA1151188

Antique Set of 4 French Rococo Style Ormolu Wall Lights C1870

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1151188****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Dimensions

Height = 36 cm (14.2")

Width = 27 cm (10.6")

Depth = 13 cm (5.1")

Description

This is a stunning set of four antique French Rococo ormolu gilt bronze two branch wall sconces, Circa 1870 in date. The backplates feature scrolling branches with floral decoration and candle sockets. Purchased from a fabulous house in Hampstead, London there is no mistaking their unique quality and design and they will soon instantly enhance the style of one special room in your home. Condition: In excellent condition having been cleaned and rewired. Please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 36 cm x Width 27 cm x Depth 13 cm Dimensions in inches: Height 1 foot, 2 inches x Width 11 inches x Depth 5 inches Ormolu (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 process known as mercury-gilding or fire-gilding, in which a solution of nitrate of mercury is applied to a piece of copper, brass, or bronze, followed by the application of an amalgam of gold and mercury. The item was th...

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