

SA1183689

FINE LARGE AUSTRIAN BRONZE FIGURE GROUP

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1183689****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 15 cm (5.9")

Width = 21 cm (8.3")

Depth = 15 cm (5.9")

Description

FRANZ XAVER BERGMAN: a fine, large and interesting Austrian "Vienna" cold-painted BRONZE GROUP in splendid condition. This eye-catching group depicts a young Egyptian lady, seated upon a "Thebes-type" chair, her feet on a knotted red cushion, with two (hopelessly tame) lionesses by her side. She is bare-breasted but wearing an ornate necklace and a striped headress incorporating a rearing cobra, called the Uraeus.* The young lionesses are tethered by chains, one resting, the other standing, whilst the group is assembled on a large patterned carpet. Signed with Bergman seal and the word "Geschultz" impressed in the carpet. c1900. 21cms wide; 15cms deep; 14cms high. * The "Uraeus" was a stylised element of a rearing cobra which represented royalty; divinity and protection. It was traditionally worn only by a Pharaoh or his wife. The rearing cobra was meant to spit fire and venom at the pharaoh's enemies, therefore offering fierce protection.

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