

SA1211519

Antique French Empire Marble Top Open Bookcase Mid 19th Century

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1211519****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 94 cm (37.0")

Width = 115 cm (45.3")

Depth = 41 cm (16.1")

Description

This is a fine antique French Empire Gonçalo Alves and marble-topped open bookcase dating from the mid-19th century. It features an onyx top with Verde Antico marble three-quarter banding above a frieze with decorative Empire ormolu mounts, including stars and palmettes, over two adjustable shelves flanked by male figural pilasters with gilt gesso mounts, on a plinth base. Add a touch of supreme grandeur to a special room in your home with this stunning bookcase. Condition: In excellent condition, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 94 cm x Width 115 cm x Depth 41 cm. Dimensions in inches: Height 3 feet, 1 inch x Width 3 foot, 9 inches x Depth 1 foot, 4 inches. Gonçalo Alves is a hardwood (from the Portuguese name, Gonçalo Alves). It is sometimes referred to as tigerwood — a name that underscores the wood's often dramatic, contrasting color scheme. While the sapwood is very light in color, the heartwood is a sombre brown, with dark streaks that give it a unique look. The wood's color deepens with exposure and age and even the plainer-looking wood has a natural luster. Two species are usually listed as sources for gonçalo alves: Astronium fr...

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