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Large Napoleon III Ormolu & Sevres Porcelain Mantel Clock Etienne Lenoir 55cm

Price

GBP 9,500

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Item Reference: SA1213313**Date of manufacture: 1870**

Description

Important Large Museum-Quality Napoleon III Gilt Bronze and Sèvres-Style Porcelain Mantel Clock, Dial Signed Etne Lenoir, Paris, Circa 1870

Description An impressive and large Napoleon III period mantel clock of museum-quality, executed in finely cast and chased gilt bronze (ormolu) and richly mounted with Sèvres-style porcelain plaques on a bleu céleste ground. The enamel dial is signed "Etne Lenoir, Paris", dating the piece to the third quarter of the 19th century, circa 1870. The architectural case is designed in the Louis XVI classical revival style, incorporating fluted columns, beaded borders, egg-and-dart mouldings and finely chased decorative mounts. The structure reflects the taste for monumental architectural clocks produced in Paris during the Second Empire period, when elaborate mantel clocks were created for the grand interiors of aristocratic and bourgeois homes. The upper section is surmounted by two finely sculpted classical female figures reclining beside a central urn finial. These figures are cast with elegant drapery and balanced proportions, forming a harmonious sculptural composition typical of high-quality Parisian bronze workshops of the...

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