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Antique French Grand Tour Bronze Sculpture of The Medici Lion 19th C

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1218479****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Dimensions

Height = 12.5 cm (4.9")

Width = 18.5 cm (7.3")

Depth = 10.5 cm (4.1")

Description

This is a beautiful antique French Grand Tour bronze sculpture of The Medici Lion, circa 1870 in date. The sculptures depict a standing male lion looking to one side with a sphere or ball under one paw, raised on a stepped rectangular trapezoidal marble base. This high-quality hot cast solid bronze was produced using the traditional "lost wax" process, otherwise known as the "cire perdue" method. This is a splendid antique bronze sculpture which is sure to receive the maximum amount of attention wherever it is placed. Condition: In excellent condition, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 12.5 cm x Width 18.5 cm x Depth 10.5 cm. Dimensions in inches: Height 5 inches x Width 7 inches x Depth 4 inches. The Medici lions are a pair of marble sculptures of lions: one of which is Roman, dating to the 2nd century AD, and the other a 16th-century pendant. Both were by 1598 placed at the Villa Medici, Rome. Since 1789, they have been displayed at the Loggia dei Lanzi in Florence. The sculptures depict standing male lions with a sphere or ball under one paw, looking to the side. Copies of the Medici lions have been made and publicly installed in ov...

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