

SA1220114

Pair of Grand Tour bronze Albiani Vases

Price

GBP 1,450

| USD \$1,958 | EUR 1,696

Item Reference: SA1220114

Date of manufacture: 1860

Dimensions

Height = 23 cm (9.1")

Width = 27.5 cm (10.8")

Depth = 18 cm (7.1")

Description

A fine pair of good size 19th century Grand Tour patinated bronze models of the ancient twin-handled krater, known as the Albiani vase. Well-cast examples. Gadroon edge to the top; the body cast in high relief with masks of bearded gods; foliage and reeded twin-handled intertwined vines on fluted circular socles. Presented on later green marble plinths with in white marble block bases. The original vase was discovered in Rome in the mid 18th century during the excavation of a Villa sponsored by Cardinal Alessandro Albani, a great collector and patron of ancient art antiquities. The ancient marble vase was thought to have originally stood outside the Temple of Bacchus. French or Italian, circa 1860.

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