

SA1232332

Late 18th Century Italian Carved Giltwood Marble Top Console Table

Price

GBP 8,750

| USD \$11,930 | EUR 10,210

Item Reference: SA1232332

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 83 cm (32.7")

Width = 114 cm (44.9")

Depth = 57 cm (22.4")

Description

Very fine late 18th Century Italian gilt wood console table with marble top possibly from Florentine. Italian Possibly Florentine - Circa 1780 This exceptionally fine table, of rectangular design, achieves its exquisite decorative impact through intricate gilded carving. In contrast to French pieces of the same era relying on ormolu mounts or English counterparts emphasizing inlay or painted detail, this table stands out as a masterful display of carving. The top has a carefully selected fossil marble, chosen for its delightful colour and figuring, complemented by a complex moulded edge for added decorative flair. The top is supported by a conventional four legged side table base with a protruding central section and protruding blocks where the legs meet the frame. These blocks are ornamented with finely carved floral paterae and the central section has a mask of Apollo, the sun god, with the rays of the sun visible behind his face. Beyond his role as the sun god, Apollo, also associated with arts and poetry, hints at the original owner's cultured taste. There are also very fine panels of floral ornament to the front and both sides of the frieze of the table-discussed...

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