

SA124792

Exceptional Vernis Martin Gilt Mantle Clock.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA124792****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Description

A beautiful French mantle clock dating from around 1870 in Vernis Martin and gilt ormolu. Vernis Martin is a finish perfected in France around 1700 by the Martin brothers using gilt lacquer over a chalk base and was extensively used to decorate the furniture of Louis XIV at the Court of Versailles. The technique produces a translucent glow which is quite stunning when contrasted with the gilt ormolu. The case is further enhanced with skillfully applied oil paintings to all four sides of the clock. The dial is white enamel with black Roman numerals and fine cut hands and beveled glass. The 8 day movement strikes on a bell on the half hour and the hour. It has just been fully serviced by our BHI registered staff. Dimensions (Max): Height 15" Width 7.5" Depth 4.5" (39cm X 19cm X 12cm)

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