

SA382263

Early 19th Century Grand Tour Italian Carved Alabaster Vases

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA382263****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 34 cm (13.4")

Width = 38 cm (15.0")

Depth = 19 cm (7.5")

Description

A fine pair of early 19th Century grand tour Italian carved alabaster vases. The refined classical beauty of these vases & figuration of the Alabaster cannot be overstated, they are without question one of the nicest examples you will see. The egg and dart carving is crisp and well formed & the sculpted recess on the top of the bowl a true delight, making the neck of the vase even more graceful and defined. The gadrooning on the bottom of the vases is extremely subtle, but with enough detail to catch the eye. This wonderful pair came from an Important Titled Estate, where they have been since they were acquired in the 19th Century. They are in excellent condition for their age, having recently been waxed by one of the World's leading Museum marble conservationists, ensuring their surface remains protected & maintains its wonderful patina for many years. True pairs of Grand Tour Vases are rare to find. The influence on the Neo-Classical came from the discoveries of Herculaneum and Pompeii, which re-introduced and made fashionable the Ancient Period & was embraced by the English aristocracy. Alabaster is a fine-grained translucent variety of Gypsum, a hydrous Calcium Sulphate.

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