

SA667670

Antique French Venus with Amour and Dog, Superb Ormolu and White Marble Clock Set

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA667670****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 44 cm (17.3")

Width = 39 cm (15.4")

Depth = 21 cm (8.3")

Description

A large and exceptional original antique French ormolu and marble Louis XVI style clock set C1900. The beautiful young Venus stands with a small dog, a symbol of fidelity. Amour is represented in the heavens by a putto standing amongst the gilded clouds. It is of the highest quality, finely made of ormolu and white marble and is also large and heavy. Candelabra are conforming in style with branches of acanthus and ovoid marble bodies. The central stems are finished with a crisply modelled bows and pineapple finials. The dial is porcelain enamel on copper with beautifully cut gilt hands. The rear door is glazed to allow the movement to be seen. The French movement is by the famous maker Samuel Marti and is the company's usual high quality. It is in excellent clean and running condition having been fully overhauled by our clockmaker. Pendulum is original. It runs for 8 days and strikes the hours and halves on a bell. Click the video clip below to hear the bell and watch the clock running! A Louis XVI period clock of similar design can be seen in 'Les plus belles pendules francaises' by Giacomo and Aurelie Wanneres. Condition of the case is excellent, the original gildin...

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