

SA668148

Pair of C19th French gilded bronze and shell dished tazzas or bonbonnières.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA668148

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 12 cm (4.7")

Width = 18 cm (7.1")

Depth = 8 cm (3.1")

Description

Pair of C19th French gilded bronze and shell dished tazzas or bonbonnières. Stylish pair of gilt-bronze mounted nacre shell oval tazzas raised on naturalistic cast bases with coiled serpent handles. The whole raised on rounded corner rectangular black Belgio Nero marble bases. The oval shell bodies fitted in shaped bespoke mounts with engraved decoration to the inner lip. The handles and supports modelled as coiled serpents wrapped around a naturalistic tree-stump base. The snakes with open mouths and well-detailed heads, coiled to form loop handles. The well-selected natural shell bodies with a particularly fine lustre and patina. In excellent original condition, the gilding with a softly aged colour and patination. One minor historic repair to one snake's head. H 5" W 7" D 3" France c. 1870

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