

SA691388

Magnificent Antique French Rococo Clock Set ~ After Meissonnier

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA691388****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Dimensions

Height = 48 cm (18.9")

Width = 30 cm (11.8")

Depth = 27 cm (10.6")

Description

****Shipping UK and worldwide as usual** ~ French - Circa 1880 ~ ~ Excellent condition, fully overhauled ~ ~ A very large and fine antique French clock set. It is of Rococo design in the manner of Juste Aurele Meissonnier and boldly modelled in gilt bronze. Waisted keyhole shape with acanthus leaf shoulders, 'C' scroll feet standing on its original integral serpentine base. To the top is a putti and to the front is a motif of flaming torch and quiver of arrows, symbolic of cupid. To the sides, are cloth backed sound frets. Candelabra are beautifully formed as acanthus wrapped stems, with swirling acanthus arms and fluted tulip-form nozzles. The design is beautifully bold, well chased and finished. It is modelled in the round and so would display very well on a table. The large dial is also gilt bronze with 12 individual enamel cartouches and original finely fretted blued steel hands. The Rococo bezel is fitted with convex glass. A reflection of the pendulum swinging can be seen in the polished base. Juste-Aurèle Meissonnier The form of these candelabra is based on designs by the highly inventive and influential rococo goldsmith and architect Juste-Aurèle Meissonnier (1...**

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