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Price

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Item Reference: SA709410

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 30 cm (11.8")

Width = 12 cm (4.7")

Depth = 12 cm (4.7")

Description

Early C19th Italian bronze sculpture of the Greek god Cronos , known to the Romans as Saturn. High-quality cast bronze figure of the winged god of the harvest and agriculture, Cronos or Saturn . The bearded god depicted in a bare-footed striding pose wearing a loin cloth , an agricultural harvesting scythe carried over his shoulder. The circular base with an intricate cast edge of classical motif decoration , the centre of the base with concentric circular rings. The wings with particularly fine cast detail . Revered and worshipped by both the Greeks and the Romans , who held a week-long celebration in December known as Saturnalia to celebrate him . It is thought this was the predated celebration of the harvest which the Christian calendar adopted as Harvest Festival or the Christmas period. In excellent original condition with a rich consistent patination and colour . Both arms cast in section and with minor opening of the joints , a casting technique referred to as 'Roman jointing' . The loose scythe gripped through the left hand can be adjusted to angle and position. H 12" W 5" D 5" Italy c. 1830

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