

SA735011

Early C19th bronze sculpture study of a Sphinx mounted on a 'verde mare' marble base.

Price

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Item Reference: SA735011

Date of manufacture: Regency

Dimensions

Height = 10 cm (3.9")

Width = 15 cm (5.9")

Depth = 10 cm (3.9")

Description

Early C19th bronze sculpture study of a Sphinx mounted on a 'verde mare' marble base. Well-executed cast bronze study of the mythical Sphinx, the body being that of a lion whilst the head is human probably depicting a god or king. Lying in a prone pose with outstretched front legs, wearing a head-dress, the tail wrapped over its back, mounted on a rectangular block of pale green 'verde mare' marble. Sculptures such as this were produced in the early C19th to satisfy a demand and fashion for all things Egyptian. Known as "Egyptomania", a style era which followed on from the discoveries in the Ancient Egyptian world, Napoleon's campaigns and the famous Naval victories against the French won by Nelson and the English fleet in "The Battle of the Nile". Leading designers and architects of the period, such as Thomas Hope, were greatly influenced by their travels to the Egyptian world and the new discoveries, incorporating design elements in furniture, objects and architecture reflecting the taste. In excellent original condition with a good, rich, consistent colour and patina. No breaks or chips to the marble base. H 4" W 6" D 4" England c.1820

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