

SA969263

Antique Adam Revival Pair Decorative Triple Branch Wall Lights 19th C

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA969263****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 44 cm (17.3")

Width = 30 cm (11.8")

Depth = 20 cm (7.9")

Description

This is a stunning pair of Adam Revival antique gilded ormolu triple branch wall lights, dating from the late 19th Century. Each wall light has a tapering body, supporting a spiral twist and acanthus cast candelarm terminating in gadrooned sockets terminating in a tassel finial. Add an elegant touch to your home with these wonderful wall lights. Condition: In excellent condition, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 44 x Width 30 x Depth 20. Dimensions in inches: Height 1 foot, 5 inches x Width 1 foot x Depth 8 inches. Ormolu (from French 'or moulu', signifying ground or pounded gold) is an 18th-century English term for applying finely ground, high-carat gold in a mercury amalgam to an object of bronze. The mercury is driven off in a kiln leaving behind a gold-coloured veneer known as 'gilt bronze'. The manufacture of true ormolu employs a process known as mercury-gilding or fire-gilding, in which a solution of nitrate of mercury is applied to a piece of copper, brass, or bronze, followed by the application of an amalgam of gold and mercury. The item was then exposed to extreme heat until the mercury burned off and the gold rem...

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