

SA974753

Antique Large French Giltwood Wall Mirror c.1860 - 154x101cm 19th C

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA974753****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 154 cm (60.6")

Width = 101 cm (39.8")

Depth = 18 cm (7.1")

Description

This is a large impressive antique French carved giltwood and gesso wall mirror, Circa 1860 in date. The frame is surmounted with a striking carved giltwood central finial with shell anthemion, acanthus leaf, foliage and berries decoration. The rectangular mirror is framed with flowerheads and beading. The quality and craftsmanship of this stunning piece are absolutely superb. Add an elegant touch to a special corner of your home with this fantastic mirror. Condition: In excellent condition, please see photos for confirmation. Dimensions in cm: Height 154 x Width 101 x Depth 18 Dimensions in inches: Height 5 feet, 1 inch x Width 3 foot, 4 inches x Depth 7 inches The purpose of gilding is to give the appearance of solid gold, a practice that began over 4,000 years ago in Egypt. Paintings from Egyptian tombs from around 2000 B.C. show workers pounding gold into thin sheets to apply to pieces of furniture and coffins. The Greeks applied gilding to statues in around 400 B.C.E., and gilding techniques have continued to be used in Europe, South America, Spain, Britain and the United States. During the 18th century, Louis XIV of France flaunted his wealth with ...

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