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French Bureau, Louis XVI Period



9 000 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gilted wood

Width : 165 cm

Height : 81 cm

Depth : 91 cm

Description

Royal Antique proudly presents this luxurious bureau, dating from the late 18th century, which exemplifies the opulence and refined craftsmanship of the Louis XVI period. Renowned for its intricate design, premium materials, and functional attributes, it is a testament to the artistry and elegance of the time.Materials:Ebony: The bureau is crafted from ebony, a dense, dark-hued hardwood known for its durability and striking beauty. The rich, dark tone of the ebony provides an elegant backdrop for the gilt bronze embellishments, enhancing the overall visual appeal of the piece.Gilt Bronze: Adorned with intricate gilt bronze mounts, the bureau features meticulously designed decorative elements. These bronze accents, richly coated in gold, add a layer of luxury and refinement,

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making the piece a standout in any setting. These include fluted columns, decorative friezes, and scrolling foliage.Marble: The bureau is topped with a smooth, polished marble slab, likely in a classic black hue, which not only enhances its luxurious appearance but also provides a practical, durable area for display or use.Design:Quintessentially Louis XVI: The design of the bureau is quintessentially Louis XVI, characterized by both elegant proportions and sophisticated details, including a strong neoclassical influence.Form and Lines: While a traditional bureau plat usually has a flat top and drawers, this piece takes the form of a tall, elegant cabinet-bureau, incorporating elements like the central drop-front section. It boasts graceful lines, with subtly curved elements on its sides and base, contributing to its overall refinement.Ornate Decoration: The surface is adorned with exquisite gilt bronze ornamentation, showcasing floral motifs, geometric patterns, and stylized figures. These intricate designs, skillfully executed, reflect the period's penchant for decorative flourishes that blend beauty with craftsmanship. The elaborate gilt bronze mounts are integral to the bureau's design, featuring shapes inspired by nature--such as leaves and scrolls--further enhancing the opulence and elegance of the piece. The central "drop-front" panel features a richly framed dark panel, surrounded by geometric and floral gilt bronze elements, below which are a series of gilt-bronze mounted drawers.Columnar Elements: The corners are adorned with classical columns, further reinforcing the architectural grandeur.This bureau is not only a fine example of 18th-century French furniture but also a functional work of art. Its combination of luxurious materials, sophisticated design, and impeccable craftsmanship makes it a valuable addition to any distinguished collection or an exceptional focal point in a refined interior.