Rare Boulle Style Prayer Table



13 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gilted wood

Width : 55 cm

Height : 137 cm

Depth : 76 cm

Description

Royal Antique proudly presents this magnificent Boulle-style prayer table, dating back to the opulent Napoleon III period (19th century). This piece is a true masterpiece of French cabinetmaking, combining unparalleled opulence with exquisite refinement.Exquisite Materials and Ornamentation:Boulle Marquetry: The table features exquisite Boulle marquetry, a complex and labor-intensive technique involving the meticulous assembly of tortoiseshell and brass plates. This artistry creates geometric and floral patterns of great elegance, where the deep red and black hues of the tortoiseshell dramatically contrast with the shimmering gold of the brass inlays.Finely Chiseled Gilded Bronzes: The rich decor is further enhanced by an abundance of finely chiseled gilded bronzes, which highlight

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the intricate details of the marquetry and add a radiant dimension to the piece. These mounts feature elaborate scrollwork, classical motifs, and decorative banding, characteristic of the period's luxurious aesthetic.Ornate Entablature with Sculpted Figures: The prayer table is notably surmounted by an ornate entablature, a tiered architectural element adorned with beautifully sculpted figures. These figures likely depict saints or religious symbols, emphasizing the devotional function and profound artistic intent of the piece.Construction and Condition:Solid and Ornate Base: The ensemble rests elegantly on a solid and ornate base, which features additional Boulle marquetry and gilded bronze elements, harmoniously completing the composition and ensuring stability.Exceptional Condition: This prayer table is in exceptional condition, having been meticulously restored using museum-quality methods, preserving its original splendor and intricate details.This unique and precious piece testifies to the exceptional craftsmanship of 19th-century French cabinetmakers during the Napoleon III era. Its historical significance, combined with its unparalleled artistic beauty, makes it a remarkable addition to any sophisticated interior or antique collection, serving as a timeless and captivating centerpiece.