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Boulle Style Chest Of Drawers



6 000 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gilted wood

Width : 80 cm

Height : 107 cm

Depth : 43 cm

Description

Royal Antique proudly presents this exceptional Boulle commode-cabinet, a magnificent and elegant piece of furniture from the Napoleon III period (mid-19th century). It is characterized by its rich ornamentation and the masterful use of contrasting materials, creating a visually stunning effect.Materials and Decoration:Boulle Marquetry: The commode is expertly crafted with an ebony veneer, sumptuously inlaid with intricate patterns of brass and tortoiseshell. This sophisticated technique, known as Boulle marquetry, was perfected by André-Charles Boulle in the 17th century and revived with great success during the Second Empire. The brass is meticulously cut into elaborate designs, then seamlessly inlaid with the rich, contrasting tortoiseshell, creating a highly decorative

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surface.Ornate Motifs: The commode is richly decorated with a variety of classical and ornamental motifs, including delicate foliage, elegant scrolls, and subtle geometric shapes, all rendered in exquisite detail. The brass elements are often gilded, which, combined with the polished ebony and tortoiseshell, lends the commode a truly luxurious and radiant appearance.Gilt Bronze Mounts: Further enhancing its grandeur, the commode features finely chased gilt bronze mounts, which define its contours and embellish various elements, including the lockplates and corner accents.Features:Functional Configuration: The commode offers practical storage with a single large drawer positioned centrally at the top, elegantly surmounted by a luxurious marble slab. Below the drawer, two spacious, lockable cabinet doors provide ample concealed storage.Architectural Elements: The front façade is further defined by elegant pilaster-like elements that flank the central drawer and doors, adding to its architectural presence.Cabriole Legs with Sabots: The commode is gracefully supported by four cabriole legs, which terminate in beautifully cast brass sabots, adding both stability and an exquisite decorative touch.Marble Top: It is topped with a finely veined marble slab, providing a sophisticated and durable surface. The specific color of the marble can be further described if known, e.g., "Sarrancolin marble" or "breccia marble."This magnificent Napoleon III Boulle commode-cabinet is a testament to the opulence and decorative mastery of its era. Combining superb craftsmanship with timeless elegance and rich historical design, it is a statement piece that would make a significant and luxurious addition to any sophisticated interior or discerning antique collection.