



Late Nineteenth Bronze Of The Borghese Gladiator



950 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Description

Quality bronze representing a late 19th century gladiator. The statue of the Borghese Gladiator is a Greek work dating from the Hellenistic period (323 BC - 30 BC) whose author would be Agasias of Ephesus. She is wrongly called gladiator due to an erroneous restoration, she is actually a warrior in action fighting. It was among the most admired and copied works from antiquity to the 18th century, providing sculptors with a canon of proportions. The sculpture was added to the Borghese collection in Rome. At Villa Borghese he was in a ground floor room named after him, redecorated in the early 1780s by Antonio Asprucci. Camillo Borghese was pressured to sell it to his brother-in-law, Napoleon Bonaparte, in 1807, it was taken to Paris when the Borghese collection was acquired

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for the Louvre, where it now resides. Quality work with a beautiful patina.