

Napoleon III Boulle Commode



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Period: 19th century

Condition: Très bon état

Material: Bronze

Length: 43 cm

Width: 81 cm

Height: 111 cm

Description

This exquisite 19th-century chest of drawers is a remarkable example of the Napoleon III Boulle style, a fusion of French craftsmanship and opulence. Characterized by the intricate Boulle marquetry, it showcases the finest craftsmanship of the era, blending functional design with luxurious aesthetics.

The chest features ornate marquetry made from brass and tortoiseshell, expertly applied to the wood surface. This elaborate inlay creates a stunning contrast against the dark wood, with intricate patterns often inspired by natural forms such as florals, vines, or geometric motifs. Crafted from rich mahogany or walnut, the piece boasts a glossy, polished finish that highlights the beauty of the wood grain. The curved, serpentine lines of the drawers and overall silhouette are

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typical of the Napoleon III period, evoking a sense of elegance and grace.

Gilt-bronze hardware adds to the piece's regal appearance, with handles and escutcheons featuring intricate designs such as floral motifs or masks. The cabriole legs, slightly curved and adorned with bronze mounts, enhance its classical appeal, while finely detailed carvings on the corners and edges add depth and texture. This chest of drawers is not only a functional storage piece but also a stunning work of art, perfect for any collector or connoisseur of fine French furniture. It exemplifies the grandeur and refinement of the Napoleon III style, making it a timeless addition to any interior.