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## Maurice Bouval, Porcelain Biscuit Bust Enhanced With Bronze



14 500 EUR

Signature : Maurice Bouval (1863-1916)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Biscuit

Width : 25 cm

Height : 40 cm

Description
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Bust in porcelain biscuit and gilded bronze  
"Ophélie" signed M. Bouval. Height excluding base 32 cm, Total height 40 cm, width 25 cm  
Maurice Bouval is a French sculptor (1863-1916), student of Alexandre Falguière. Many of his creations are known, most of them romantic, classic and especially Art Nouveau. "Ophélie" is undoubtedly his major work, because it is the only one which expresses such symbolist force. The subject, taken from Hamlet by William Shakespeare, inspired several major artists such as Delacroix, Odilon Redon and many others. We especially think of the inspiration of the Pre-Raphaelites like John Everett Millais or John William Waterhouse. Our copy, through the contrast of materials, plunges us into a dreamlike universe that proves entirely in patinated or gilded

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bronze cannot fully grasp. We found traces of a single example in bisque and gilded bronze in a Christie's sale in 1998. After our acquisition of this bust during the show "Affaire Conclue", bonus of June 20, 2023, we carried out a thorough cleaning as well as a restoration of the gilding of the bronzes and had a stone base cut, missing when it was discovered. We are happy to be able to present it now in its newfound splendor. The price indicated on the ad does not include delivery. We can arrange for the shipping of your purchases worldwide, but this is at your own risk in the event of loss, theft or damage. If the shipment meets the Post Office's "parcel" conditions (less than 30kg + size limit), it will be sent by post. Otherwise, we will suggest one or the other carrier, depending on the destination. Transportation costs must be paid before shipping or to the driver, as applicable. Check the transport cost carefully before confirming your purchase. More information: E-mail: [info@anticarts.be](mailto:info@anticarts.be) Tel: 0032 (0) 2 523 74 03 Site: [www.anticarts.be](http://www.anticarts.be) Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/anticarts.be>