# Empire Clock The Astronomy Lesson, Early 19th Century

11 500 EUR



Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 35

Height : 39

Depth : 12

## Description

Mercury-gilded bronze clock representing two young women dressed in antique style seated in Etruscan shepherdesses on either side of a draped table with claw feet, studying a map placed in front of them. The whole rests on a six-legged base decorated with a trophy of scientific instruments held by two winged children, a world map, an astronomy telescope and a surveyor's chain. Inspired by Antiquity, this clock called "The Astronomy Lesson" depicts two young women dressed in antique style and seated in what appears to be a luxurious study. The young girl on the left is absorbed in reading a celestial map placed on the table, while the one on the left is reading to her from an astronomy work. The circular dial with Roman numerals takes place under the table. It is signed Ledure (Pierre Victor)

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This clock is a derivative of the "La Liseuse" clock signed by Bailly which was delivered in 1806 for the Secretariat of State of the Kingdom of Italy in Fontainebleau, Mr. Aldini's room. Given the success of this model, variations were made in the arrangement of objects and furniture, while respecting the staging and iconography.

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