



Exquisite Early 19th Century Empire XL Chimney Clock In Ormolu Apollo



9 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Gilt bronze

Length : 70 cm / 27.5 inch

Width : 45 cm / 28 inch

Depth : 14 cm / 5.5 inch

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Description

In the heart of this magnificent Empire XL chimney clock lies the timeless figure of Apollo, the Roman god of music and poetry. Crafted in ormolu, this exquisite timepiece, dating back to the early 19th century around 1810, is a testament to the unparalleled artistry of its era.

Apollo's presence, positioned prominently to the left of the clock, sets the tone for the entire piece. His graceful form, meticulously detailed down to the flowing drapery of his gown and the delicate straps of his sandals, exudes an aura of divine beauty and majesty. With a tabula rasa in hand, symbolizing the blank slate of inspiration, Apollo stands as a beacon of creativity and artistic expression.

Moving beyond Apollo, the clock unfolds a

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symphony of craftsmanship and design. The dial, crafted from bronze and adorned with Roman numerals on an enamel circle, bears testament to the meticulous attention to detail of its creators. Restored to its former glory by professional clockmakers, the original movement ensures precise timekeeping with an 8-day rope movement, chiming elegantly every half and whole hour.

The ormolu finish, delicately preserved, bathes the clock in a radiant glow, accentuating its grandeur and opulence. Its imposing size and ornately decorated legs, embellished with intricate rosettes, add to its commanding presence.

The multi-layered base, adorned with French ornaments and relief figures, weaves a narrative of historical significance and cultural richness. A meticulously crafted lyre and a breathtaking relief decoration of a swan further elevate the aesthetic appeal of the clock.

Surrounded by a finely wrought wreath and delicate rosettes, the dial stands as a testament to both functionality and beauty. Crowned by a wreath resting atop the column, the entire composition exudes an air of classical elegance and sophistication.

Owning this clock is not just acquiring a timepiece; it's possessing a piece of history and a work of art that transcends time. Complete with its winding key and pendulum, this extraordinary clock measures approximately 70 cm high, 45 cm wide, and 14 cm deep (27.5 inches high, 18 inches wide, and 5.5 inches deep), inviting you to experience the beauty and splendor of the past in your own home.