



French Renaissance Limestone Male Bust



5 500 EUR

Period : 16th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Stone

Width : 19,5 cm

Height : 34,5 cm

Depth : 15 cm

Description

This moving bust carved from limestone from the area around Tonnerre (Burgundy) depicts a man leaning slightly to the right, his arms crossed over his chest. He is dressed in a fine tunic, pinched at the neck by a clasp, which folds over his chest and forearms in delicate drapery, giving our work the elegance and realism of 16th-century works. These accents are echoed in our man's carefully sculpted face, enhanced by a finely chiselled wavy hair style. Very expressive, it features a straight nose, a small, fleshy mouth framed by a moustache and a short neat beard, and piercing eyes that seem to stare intensely at a point. This serious, almost meditative expression suggests an attitude of reflection or contemplation. The draping of the tunic at the bottom seems to indicate that our protagonist is

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shown seated. Its twisting movement probably suggests that it was originally in dialogue with another sculpture, once displayed in front of it.