



19th Century Grand-tour Roman Hanging Oil Lamp



3 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Diameter : 30 cm

Height : 106 cm

Description

This decorative early 19th-Century Grand-Tour, Roman hanging oil lamp is a copy of an original found in Pompeii. Mercury, the god of trade, thieves and travellers, is depicted in the centre of the lamp. In many depictions, he is shown as a young man with the staff of Hermes and wings on his feet, symbolising his swift mobility. As a symbol and protector of travellers, Mercury was a much sought-after souvenir in the 18th and 19th centuries. Lamp is not for lighting, decorative purposes only.

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