



## Exquisite 19th Century Cabinet Of Curiosities Object - Jeweled Elephant

5 650 EUR



Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gold

### Description

An important and finely carved elephant sculpture, probably made in Germany in the 19th century, intended as a luxurious objet de virtuosité and a centerpiece for a cabinet of curiosities. The elephant is finely carved from a single piece of precious material (probably ivory or bone, subject to verification), with careful attention to anatomical details and surface ornamentation, reflecting the refined craftsmanship of Central European workshops of the period. This magnificent piece is richly decorated with 18-carat gold applications and polychrome enamels. The upper howdah (ornamental canopy or platform), suspension chains, hooves, and tusk tips are solid gold, carefully shaped and polished. The gold is set with 33 natural diamonds, 5 sapphires and several

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natural fine pearls, elegantly distributed to emphasize the form and majesty of the figure. The harmonious combination of precious metals, precious stones and fine carving elevates this object to the rank of high jewelry and decorative arts, making it not only a sculpture, but also a testament to the 19th-century European taste for the exotic and opulence. Origin: Probably Germany Period: 19th century Materials: Carved organic material (probably ivory or bone), 18-karat gold, polychrome enamel, diamonds, sapphires, natural pearls Condition: Excellent condition; all decorative elements are intact and the gemstones are securely set; slight wear due to age Dimensions: 17 cm (H) × 12 cm (W) × 6 cm (D) This exceptional, museum-quality sculpture is a must-have collector's item, ideal for lovers of European valuables, jewelry, and cabinets of curiosities.