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Empire Clock "la Liseuse" - Based On A Model By Jean-andré Reiche



6 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 40

Width : 35

Diameter : 15

Description

Empire Mantel Clock "La Liseuse" - after a model by Jean-André Reiche Paris, circa 1810
Dimensions: 35 cm high × 40 cm wide × 15 cm deep
Elegant Empire period mantel clock, in finely chased, gilded and patinated bronze, resting on a "Vert de Mer" marble base. The composition is inspired by a model attributed to Jean-André Reiche (master bronze-caster active from 1785), one of the most renowned craftsmen of his time. At the center of the scene is a graceful young woman, absorbed in her reading, seated at a classical-style desk decorated with refined details such as an oil lamp, scrolls and books. The white enamel dial, signed "à Paris", is powered by a wire suspension movement, with a bell strike at the hours and half hours. The marble base has undergone a discreet and careful restoration, and

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rests on finely gilded spinning top feet. A rare and collectible decorative piece, perfectly illustrating the refined aesthetic of the French Empire style of the early 19th century, in a museum-quality execution.