



Pair Of Moor Candle Holders, France

12 000 EUR



Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 12

Width : 12

Height : 43

Description

Pair of Moors candle holders, French manufacture, Paris, 1783. Patinated and gilded bronze, grey marble, white marble. cm. h 43x 12 x 12
The pair of candlesticks, made of burnished bronze, depicts two cherubs in exotic clothing; the two candle holders in fact wear only a pipe and a strip of fabric around their waist. The face is decorated with earrings and strings of beads in gilded bronze; in their hands they hold cornucopias adorned with an acanthus leaf motif. The oriental-style clothes and the servile attitude of the figures allow us to identify the two cherubs as "Moors", an iconography that developed in the second half of the 15th century in Venice, then spread in the following centuries to France, Holland and also England. The Moors rest on a block of grey marble decorated with festoons,

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which in turn is positioned on a white marble pedestal. Engraved on the bearing is the date "1783".