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## Pair Of Blue John And Gilt Bronze Vases, England, Late 18th - Early 19th Century



16 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Height : 41 cm

### Description

A refined pair of neoclassical vases made from rare Blue John -- a striking variety of fluorspar from Derbyshire -- and mercury-gilded bronze. The krater-shaped bodies are adorned with a garland of vine branches, grape leaves and clusters in exquisitely chased bronze. The side handles terminate in sculptural ram's heads, symbolising strength and sacrifice. The vases are raised on architectural square bases in matching Blue John, with finely cast bronze mounts. A work of great craftsmanship, likely attributable to the circle of Matthew Boulton, the foremost British designer known for incorporating Blue John into luxury decorative arts. A rare and distinguished pair, ideal for collectors and connoisseurs of Georgian ornamental design.

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