



"helios" Citrine Pendant, Restoration Period, Circa 1819-1838. 18k Gold

2 800 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gold



Description

Citrine « Helios » Pendant

French Restauration Period, circa 1819-1838.

Important citrine pendant in 18k yellow gold, centered with a rotating medallion bezel-set with a superb oval-cut citrine weighing approximately 60 cts. The stone is encircled by a finely crafted frieze with vegetal motifs in three tones of gold. The composition is topped by two yellow gold ribbons joined by a stylized flower and suspended from a wide bail. French workmanship. Maker's mark partially

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Dimensions :

Citrine dimensions: approx. 30 x
24.7 x 15.2 mm

Pendant dimensions: 5.9 x 4.6 cm

Weight: 29 g (18k - 750/1000, with ram's head
hallmark [1819-1838] on

one ribbon and owl hallmarks on the bail)

Condition report: This pendant, adorned with a
striking citrine, rotates perfectly on its axis. It
remains closed thanks to a
small threaded protrusion, which likely once held
a watch key mechanism. It was
almost certainly originally designed as a pocket
watch key--or even a clock
key--meant to be worn around the neck, probably
suspended from an elegant chain.

The citrine is of exceptional
quality: its golden yellow hue, closely matching
the color of yellow gold,
beautifully enhances the three-tone gold frieze
that surrounds it. The stone
shows a few minor surface scratches and slight
wear to the edges on the reverse,
but these do not in any way compromise its
transparency or brilliance.

The piece also displays some
oxidation, particularly on the frieze around the
citrine and between the flower
and the upper ribbons.

This jewel is a fine example of the
Restauration period aesthetic, with decorative
elements that clearly echo the
taste of the 18th century, especially through its
foliage-inspired friezes.