



Crystal And Gilt Bronze Liqueur Cellar Napoleon III 19th Century



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Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 36 cm

Height : 29 cm

Depth : 30 cm

Description

Refined Napoleon III Liqueur Casket A fine French liqueur cave dating from circa 1880, during the reign of Napoleon III. This exquisite piece reflects the opulence and craftsmanship of the Second Empire, combining functional design with decorative luxury. Structure and materials The casket is crafted from intricately chased and gilded bronze, adorned with scrolls, foliage, and mascarons at the feet -- each ending in lion paws. The case features original thick beveled glass panels, offering full transparency and a luminous interior. Contents The interior comprises a complete set of 4 crystal decanters and 16 matching liqueur glasses, all mouth-blown and delicately acid-etched with floral and arabesque motifs. The decanters retain their original cut-glass stoppers. The glasses are arranged in a

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tiered gilt bronze carrier with a hinged handle.

Craftsmanship and condition This is a high-quality object: mercury gilding on bronze (with some minor fading), clear crystal glass free of chips, cracks, or scratches. The set is entirely complete and in excellent condition, which is particularly rare for such ensembles. **Historical**

context Liqueur caskets of this type were fashionable bourgeois luxury items under Napoleon III, often given as prestigious gifts or used in elegant parlors during receptions. This model beautifully encapsulates the ornate and eclectic aesthetic of the era. **Dimensions:**

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