



## Pair Of Baccarat White Opaline Vases With Gilded Serpents



2 800 EUR

Signature : Baccarat

Period : 20th century

Condition : Parfait état

Material : Opale

Diameter : 31

Height : 14

### Description

Elegant and sculptural, this pair of white opaline vases perfectly illustrates the refinement of 19th-century French glass. Their slender silhouette, of almost architectural purity, is enhanced by a delicate gold rim and base. A stylized pink glass serpent, punctuated with gold, coils around the tapered neck of each vase, adding a touch of both preciousness and mystery--a universal symbol of rebirth and wisdom. These ceremonial vases draw their inspiration from the romantic and exotic iconography of the Second Empire, a period when opaline, this milky glass with its soft, satiny luminosity, enjoyed considerable success with major Parisian manufacturers such as Baccarat, Saint-Louis, and Cristallerie de Choisy-le-Roi. The artisans then vied with one another in

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audacity to create innovative shapes and sophisticated designs for the most elegant interiors. Opaline glass, prized for its translucency and ability to capture light, lends these pieces a unique brilliance, while the meticulous work of gilding with fine gold and applying the serpent motif reveals the full virtuosity of the master glassmaker. Every detail testifies to exceptional craftsmanship, combining tradition and decorative whimsy. Today, these vases embody the quintessence of French luxury, where formal perfection blends with the poetry of artisanal skill. They integrate seamlessly into both classic and contemporary settings, bringing a touch of timeless refinement and a captivating sculptural presence.