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## François Linke Vitrine, Late 19th Century



12 700 EUR

Signature : François Linke (1855-1946)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Restauré

Material : Rosewood

Width : 73 cm

Height : 161 cm

Depth : 40 cm

### Description

This magnificent vitrine (display cabinet) by François Linke was created in France in the late 19th century and embodies the luxury and refinement of the Belle Époque. This Louis XV style piece is distinguished by its elegantly curved lines and rich ornamentation. It showcases an exceptional level of craftsmanship. Crafted from precious woods with fine marquetry, the vitrine is adorned with sumptuous gilt bronze (ormolu) decorations featuring floral and rococo motifs. Its glazed door and beveled glass side panels reveal an interior fitted with adjustable glass shelves, ideal for displaying your most treasured collectibles. The top is crowned by a light-colored marble slab that complements the piece and adds an extra touch of nobility. The cabinet stands on four graceful cabriole legs

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ending in finely chiseled bronze sabots, providing the piece with a base as graceful as it is stable. Every detail -- from the delicate marquetry patterns to the intricate detailing of the bronze mounts -- highlights François Linke's supreme mastery. This piece reflects his talent for reinterpreting the opulence of Louis XV style while incorporating touches of Art Nouveau characteristic of the late 19th century. It bears François Linke's signature, which attests to its authenticity and superior quality. Linke, a master Parisian ébéniste of the Belle Époque, is celebrated for brilliantly marrying the opulence of Rococo with the new artistic trends of his time; his creations, of which this vitrine is a perfect example, are highly sought after by discerning collectors. The patina and overall condition of this period piece are excellent, reflecting the care that has been given to its preservation over the years. The furniture has been professionally restored while maintaining its full originality - the bronze fittings have been thoroughly cleaned, giving them their original shine, and the wood has been given a new life thanks to a new polish. Dimensions: height - 161 cm width - 73 cm depth - 40 cm