



Large Oval Louis XVI Style Giltwood Mirror, 19th Century



3 780 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Gilted wood

Width : 75 cm

Height : 120 cm

Depth : 21 cm

Description

This impressive large oval mirror is a fine example of the Louis XVI style, dating from the Napoleon III period, circa the mid to late 19th century. The elegant giltwood frame is richly carved with classical motifs characteristic of the period, including finely detailed oak leaves, acorns, and floral garlands. At the crest, a decorative urn overflowing with flowers creates a strong architectural focal point, perfectly balanced by the delicate ornamentation running along the frame. The original mercury glass displays natural aging, with areas of foxing and subtle mercury "accidents"

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that give the reflection a soft, atmospheric quality. These imperfections are highly sought after by collectors and decorators, as they enhance the mirror's authenticity and add depth, character, and a poetic patina that cannot be replicated. The proportions are particularly elegant, making this mirror ideal for a grand entrance hall, living room, or above a console or mantelpiece. The warm gold tones of the gilding, combined with the refined Louis XVI design, allow it to blend beautifully into both classical and contemporary interiors. A decorative and timeless piece, this mirror embodies the refined craftsmanship and decorative richness of the Napoleon III era.