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# Marc Augustin Lebrun : French Empire Era Sterling Silver Tea Fountain / Samovar - Lion Mascaron



5 650 EUR

Signature : Marc-Augustin LEBRUN

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Sterling silver

Height : 35 cm

## Description

An exceptional, museum-quality Empire-era solid silver tea fountain/samovar resting on three lion's paw feet with palmette attachments. A palmette motif serves as the tap handle. A frieze of water leaves encircles the body, which is adorned with lion's head handles holding a ring in their mouths. The tap is recessed into its spout and attached with a spectacular mascaron. A gadrooned frieze adorns the neck, and the lid is surmounted by a seed finial. Complete with its original burner/stove. Hallmarks of the 1st standard 'Rooster' and guarantee mark for PARIS 1809-19, piece controlled between 1819 and 1838, and hallmarks of Master Goldsmith Marc-Augustin LEBRUN, registered in 1808. This piece can be precisely dated to 1809-10 because it bears Lebrun's first hallmark (MAL and flask), his

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second hallmark (with the initials ML, a weather vane, and an eagle), which took over, being registered in 1810-11. An exceptional piece in very good condition, further serviced and cleaned by our Goldsmith. Museum quality piece... Marc Augustin LEBRUN's exceptional goldsmithing work is featured in all the major museums. The Louvre alone possesses, among other things, two tea fountains, a ewer and its basin, a coffee pot... Height : 35 cm Weight : 1775.2 grams