



## French Empire Gilt Bronze Candlesticks 1830s Set Of Two Cassolettes



2 000 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 8

Width : 8

Height : 23

### Description

Pair of Empire-style gilt bronze candlesticks, 1800s; a set of two French Empire-style incense burners or censers in ormolu, dating from the first half of the 19th century. These antique French vases have a dual purpose, both decorative and as elegant candle holders. In fact, by turning the reversible domed lid upside down, each vessel transforms into a candlestick. Made in the early decades of the 19th century, they feature an urn-like shape typical of French mantelpiece candlesticks, resting on a cylindrical pedestal finely chiselled with floral and geometric motifs and a square base. The mercury-gilded bronze, or ormolu, offers a contrast, a combination of matt and polished finishes characteristic of the period. The upper bowl is decorated with vine tendrils, shoots and leaves, whilst the lid is chiselled with

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concentric beading and surmounted by a pine-cone knob. They come from a private collection and are in good age related condition.