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Napoleon III Style Mantel Clock



3 800 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 45 cm

Diameter : 10cm

Height : 45 cm

Depth : 12 cm

Description

Elevate your collection with this magnificent Louis XV-style cartel clock, a superb testament to the splendor of 18th-century French design and craftsmanship. Every element of this clock exudes opulence, from its finely chased and gilded bronze case to its meticulously detailed matching wall bracket. This piece perfectly embodies the Rococo aesthetic of the Louis XV period, characterized by its graceful asymmetry, naturalistic forms and playful elegance.Exceptional Design Details and Artistic Know-How:The clock's case is a masterpiece of Rococo art, featuring lush ornaments of scrolling foliage, charming cherub figures (putti) and an imposing central crowning with a beautifully carved seated putto. These elaborate embellishments underline the unrivalled skill and

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artistic sensitivity of the bronziers of the period, making this piece a striking focal point in any room. The case is crafted in gilded bronze, probably mercury (ormolu), with polished details, radiating a warm, golden glow that deeply reflects the elegance and luxurious taste of the Louis XV period.The Exquisite Dial and Master Watchmaker:The clock's dial is a study in both precision and beauty. It is adorned with Roman numerals in crisp white and blue enamel, surrounded by delicate floral engravings that enhance its decorative appeal. The signature "Auphon à Paris" is proudly displayed on the dial, underscoring its distinguished French origin and heritage as a renowned 18th-century Parisian watchmaker.Harmonious Wall Console:The magnificent matching wall console harmoniously complements the clock's design. It features complementary gold rococo motifs and inlaid accents, creating a unified, luxurious presentation that enhances the clock's presence on any wall. The graceful integration of console and clock ensures a coherent and visually stunning display.Meticulously Maintained Mechanism and Condition:Beyond its aesthetic brilliance, this clock boasts a fully functional and meticulously maintained mechanism, combining aesthetic beauty with reliable timekeeping. The movement is an eight-day suspended pendulum mechanism, designed to strike the half-hour and the hour on a bell. It is noted to work very well and on time, having been recently cleaned and overhauled by a professional watchmaker. The clock comes complete with key and bell, ensuring its continued functionality and authenticity. It is presented in exceptional antique condition, with no significant wear, ensuring that it will remain a treasured heirloom for generations.