



## Alcove Cartel Clock In Chiseled And Gilded Bronze, Quarter-ringed, Louis XV Period ,circa 1750



6 300 EUR

Signature : Declé le Fils

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Width : 32 cm

Height : 54 cm

### Description

A Louis XV period clock in chased and gilt bronze with a quarter-hour striking mechanism, signed Déclé le Fils. The case is in the Rococo style, decorated with curves, scrolls, flowers, and asymmetrical descending volutes supporting the movement. It is surmounted by an openwork element adorned with a foliage motif. The sides are finished with a latticework grille. The large, round striking mechanism strikes the hours, half-hours, and quarter-hours on two bells, struck by two hammers. The suspension is by wire. This clock has the rare feature of a reverse glass dial (a design on the glass) coated with white stucco, all protected by a pewter plate held in place by a metal star. Dials are usually made of enamel. The use of reverse glass for this clock is extremely

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rare. Despite some paint flaking between the numerals 9 and 12, we deliberately chose to preserve it in its original condition to maintain its authenticity. It would have been a shame to do otherwise. Connoisseurs will appreciate this. An alcove clock is a small clock designed for an alcove. Its defining characteristic is a striking mechanism activated only when the clock is pulled on a cord, allowing the clock to tell the time at night--hence the term "pull-cord clock." Louis XV period, circa 1750 Height: 53 cm, Width: 32 cm Movement diameter: 13 cm Declé Le Fils: for Declé Pierre, 1756, son of Jacques-Charles, Paris. Variations of this model exist with more or fewer branches. Condition: The clock retains its original mercury gilding, which is well preserved. The rare dial is original. Original hands, repair to the hour hand. It has been disassembled, professionally cleaned, reassembled, and the movement serviced Shipping: We offer you our negotiated rates. For a quote, please provide the destination city and country. We prepare highly secure packages ourselves. Insurance will be purchased. The package will be shipped via UPS