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Jerome Martinot Wall Clock In Paris



12 500 EUR

Signature : Martinot À PARIS

Period : 18th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 41 cm

Height : 110 cm

Depth : 19 cm

Description

We are honored to present this strikingly beautiful 18th-century French wall clock, a profound testament to the exquisite craftsmanship, refined aesthetics, and unparalleled technical prowess that defined French clockmaking during the Age of Enlightenment. Attributed to the renowned clockmaker Jérôme Martinot, a name synonymous with the pinnacle of Parisian precision and artistic innovation, this exceptional timepiece presents a harmonious synthesis of sculptural form, intricate decoration, and reliable function.The Splendor of Rococo Design and the Mastery of Gilding: The clock is presented in a classic serpentine case, a silhouette emblematic of the dynamic, asymmetrical, and curvilinear forms that characterized the sophisticated Louis XV

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Rococo style. The case is meticulously cast in gilded bronze, its surface ablaze with a profusion of intricate details, including flowing acanthus leaf motifs, delicate rocaille ornamentation, and fine pearls. This elaborate ornamentation, a hallmark of the decorative arts of the era, vividly reflects the opulent tastes of the French aristocracy and the exceptional skill of the bronze casters who executed such complex works. The circular white enamel dial, a paragon of clarity and legibility, is elegantly adorned with crisp Roman numerals and features graceful blued steel hands, offering a timeless and distinguished display. The clock is complemented by its matching stand, likely original, which not only provides structural support but also enhances its overall presentation and integrated aesthetic.Precision Movement and Distinguished Provenance: At its heart, this magnificent clock houses a robust eight-day movement, a testament to the enduring quality and sophisticated engineering characteristic of 18th-century French horological advancements. It chimes the hour and half-hour on its bell, producing a melodious and resonant chime that once gracefully punctuated the refined atmosphere of the era's most elegant salons. We are pleased to confirm that the clock is in excellent working order and fully functional. Furthermore, to ensure its continued accuracy and longevity, it has recently undergone a complete cleaning and maintenance by a professional clockmaker specializing in museum conservation. The clock comes complete with its pendulum, winding key, and original bell.