



Pair Of 19th Century French Bronze Urns On Marble Pedestals

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Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Description

This exceptional pair of French patinated bronze urns is mounted on elegant polished black marble pedestals, creating a striking contrast between the warm bronze patina and the rich depth of the stone. Executed in the Renaissance Revival taste, the urns are lavishly decorated with finely cast mythological figures, winged cherubs, shells, garlands, and classical attributes arranged in beautifully sculpted high relief. Every angle reveals a different allegorical composition, demonstrating the remarkable quality of the casting and chasing. The decorative vocabulary is strongly inspired by the celebrated Renaissance bronzes of Andrea Briosco, known as Riccio (1470-1532), whose ornamental vessels became highly influential during the 19th century. These urns faithfully capture that artistic spirit while

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reflecting the superb craftsmanship of French bronze founders during the Napoleon III period. The rich, nuanced patina enhances every sculptural detail, from the expressive figures to the delicate shell-form handles and finely ornamented circular socles. Resting on substantial black marble columnar pedestals with octagonal bases, the ensemble has an impressive architectural presence and would make an outstanding decorative statement in both traditional and contemporary interiors. Dating to France, circa 1860-1880, this elegant pair exemplifies the fascination with classical antiquity and Renaissance ornament that defined the finest French decorative arts of the period. Both highly decorative and sculptural, they represent an exceptional example of 19th-century French bronze craftsmanship. Presented in very good antique condition with a beautiful original patina and light wear consistent with age and careful use. Dimensions (each): H: 29.5 cm (11.6 in) Ø: 16.5 cm (6.5 in)