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Empire-period Chair Stamped "jacob D. Rue Meslee" (1803-1813)



980 EUR

Signature : Jacob Desmalter (association de Georges Jacob et son fils)

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Mahogany

Description

Chair stamped JACOB D / R MESLEE.
Partnership between Georges Jacob I and his son François Honoré Georges Jacob Desmalter from 1803 to 1813. An interesting Empire-period chair made of mahogany and mahogany veneer. Openwork backrest; the upper crossbar of the backrest is semicircular and features a hand-shaped grip. The trapezoidal seat rests on front and rear legs in the Etruscan style. A few minor imperfections; the joinery is in good condition, with no looseness. The chair is upholstered in a beige fabric, as found. Similar models are preserved in the Mobilier National collections under the following numbers: GMT 28739/1-5 SNREC 618-621. Variations of this chair were also reproduced by the cabinetmaker Jeanselme beginning in the 1830s and 1840s. The

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10 allée du Garlaban

Carnoux-en-Provence 13470

Jacob dynasty of joiners and cabinetmakers, founded by Georges I (the father). Two of his three sons, Georges II Jacob (1768-1803) and François-Honoré-Georges Jacob-Desmaller (1770-1841), followed by his grandson Alphonse Jacob-Desmaller (1799-1870), carried on the family's reputation through the reign of Louis-Philippe. Alphonse sold his workshop to the Jeanselme firm in 1847. The partnership between the father and his son François-Honoré began in 1803 following the death of the second brother. The name "Desmaller" was chosen by François-Honoré in memory of an ancestral estate in Cheny, Burgundy, called "Les Malterres." The products of this new company bore the stamp "Jacob D (Desmaller), R. Meslée." Their business was thriving; orders poured in, and they employed nearly 300 workers. For nearly a decade, they would serve as the preferred suppliers to the Imperial Furniture Repository and to a prestigious clientele in France and across Europe.