



19th Century French Hammered Copper And Brass Jug With Dolphin Spout



810 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Description

This striking 19th century French lidded jug is crafted from hand-hammered copper with brass mounts and is distinguished by its remarkable zoomorphic dolphin-form spout. Generously proportioned and highly decorative, the vessel combines the warm tones of aged copper with contrasting golden brass details, creating a particularly rich and sculptural appearance. The large rounded body, displaying the subtle irregularities characteristic of hand-hammered metalwork, rests on a stepped circular brass foot. The tall cylindrical neck is finished with a brass rim and fitted with a substantial arched brass carrying handle. A removable domed copper lid completes the upper section and is surmounted by a small decorative brass finial. The most distinctive feature is undoubtedly the beautifully

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modeled brass spout, conceived as a stylized dolphin or sea creature, with the open mouth forming the pouring aperture. This unusual sculptural element gives the jug considerable character and makes it particularly appealing as a decorative object. The copper and brass have developed a beautiful natural patina, with variations in tone, oxidation, surface marks and traces of use consistent with the age and handcrafted nature of the piece. An impressive example of 19th-century French decorative metalwork, equally suited to a traditional or more contemporary interior. Dimensions: Height: 47 cm / 18.50 in Width: 31 cm / 12.20 in Diameter: Ø 26 cm / Ø 10.24 in