



Young Augustus - Large White Marble Bust Based On An Antique Model, Italy, 19th Century



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Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Marble

Height : 53 cm

Description

A large white marble bust depicting a young man traditionally identified as Octavian, the future Emperor Augustus. This 19th-century sculpture reflects the Neoclassical taste for portraits of Roman antiquity and works brought back from Italy during the Grand Tour. The face, with its idealized features, displays a supple and delicate modeling. The short locks of hair, carefully arranged across the forehead, frame a gaze with eyes that are not incised. The long neck and the understated contour of the shoulders lend the portrait a particularly elegant presence. The bust rests on a circular marble pedestal. The work follows the "Young Augustus" type, best known from a portrait housed in the Hall of Busts at the Pio-Clementino Museum in the Vatican, under inventory number 714. However, the precise

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identification of the ancient figure remains a matter of debate. Condition: Overall in fine condition. A small grayish vein is visible in the marble on the forehead. The right ear has an old break that has been repaired; the seam remains visible. Signs of wear and patina from age. Dimensions: height 53 cm; width 30 cm; depth 20 cm. Shipping available within France and internationally. Please contact us for a shipping quote tailored to this sculpture.