



Pair Of Gilded Bronze Wall Sconces With Acanthus Leaves, France, Circa 1870



11 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Width : 35

Height : 65

Depth : 21

Description

This elegant pair of chiseled and gilded bronze wall sconces in the Louis XV style features a dynamic base, entirely rendered in high relief, whose silhouette follows the powerful swirl of leaves. The composition, with remarkable dynamism, unfolds around a large veined leaf that serves as the central axis. Two light arms, arranged at different heights in an asymmetrical balance characteristic of the Rocaille style, extend from these leaves. They curl into graceful volutes before supporting circular bowls with beaded rims that hold leaf-adorned candle holders. The ensemble is enriched by an abundant decoration of cut-out foliage and clusters of cascading flowers, whose vigorous modeling accentuates the interplay of light and shadow. The quality of the chisel work faithfully reproduces the effects of

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veins, indentations, and counter-curves characteristic of the great Parisian Rocaille bronzes of the mid-18th century. The gilding, warm and luminous, highlights the sculptural richness of the decoration.