



French Napoleon III Gilt Brass Mounted Green Uranium Glass (ouraline) Basket, Circa 1860-1870



450 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Description

Trinket basket in frosted satin green uranium glass (ouraline). The glass bowl displays a striking bright green fluorescence under ultraviolet / UV blacklight due to its uranium oxide content. Held within a chased openwork gilded brass lattice frame with floral star rosettes, a swivel overhead handle, and three scrolled feet. France, Second Empire / Napoleon III period (circa 1860-1870). H_13.5 cm (with handle up) / H_8.5 cm (basket rim) D_11 cm. Very good overall condition. Satin-finish uranium glass (known as ouraline in France) became fashionable during the French Second Empire for delicate table accessories. The vibrant UV fluorescence of the green glass contrasted with ornate gilt-brass filigree makes this a delightful example of Napoleon III decorative glassware.

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