



Bronze Sculpture *le Devoir*--adrien étienne Gaudéz (french, 1845-1902)



700 EUR

Signature : Adrien Étienne Gaudéz

Period : 19th century

Condition : Parfait état

Material : Bronze

Height : 60cm

Description

19th-century French bronze sculpture titled "Le Devoir," l by the famous French sculptor Adrien Étienne Gaudéz. The work depicts an athletic young man symbolizing duty, courage, and hard work. Wearing an animal pelt around his waist, he holds a sword in one hand and leans on a plow with the other. This composition is a classic allegorical representation of the defense and advancement of the homeland, symbolized by "the sword and the plow."The anatomy is rendered with remarkable precision and finesse, characteristic of Gaudéz's artistic mastery. The bronze features a magnificent brown patina with warm hues, which highlights the depth of the modeling, the detailed musculature, and the delicate rendering of the drapery.On the front of the circular bronze pedestal is an elegant

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cartouche bearing the inscription:"LE DEVOIR -
BY A. GAUDEZ - OUT OF
COMPETITION"Title: Le DevoirArtist: Adrien
Étienne Gaudéz (French, 1845-1902)Material:
Bronze with a brown patina and warm
tonesDate: Late 19th century (circa
1880-1890)Signature / Inscription: Signed "A.
GAUDEZ" on the base and featuring a cartouche
bearing the inscription "LE DEVOIR / BY A.
GAUDEZ / OUT OF COMPETITION."