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Grenadier Cheering Emperor Napoleon, Bronze By Charles Richefeu (1868-1945) / Empire



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Signature : Richefeu Charles Edouard

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Height : 55 cm

Description

A splendid bronze sculpture depicting a grenadier of the Imperial Guard cheering Napoleon I.This highly dynamic composition, titled "Long Live the Emperor," was created in 1914 by the sculptor Charles Edouard Richefeu (1868-1945). The French government immediately purchased a model over 3 meters tall, which is now on display in Paris at Les Invalides in a gallery overlooking the main courtyard. Other identical sculptures, but on a smaller scale, were then produced for collectors, such as our bronze.Signed "Ch. Richefeu" on the pedestal, it also bears the stamp of the foundry "Susse Fres, Edts, Paris," one of the most prestigious art bronze foundries of its time. A very fine cast dating from around 1914, featuring high-quality and extremely detailed engraving. Note that the uniform details are

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faithful to those worn by the grenadiers of the First Empire.Excellent overall condition with a superb patina. It should be noted that the figure is complete, notably including its bayonet and the tassel on the bear-skin cap, which are very often missing.The sculpture is displayed on its original wooden base, finished to resemble Griotte marble.Dimensions: Total height: 55 cm