19th-century Wooden Sculptures Of Bacchus And Silenus



1 800 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Oak

Height : total 78cm, sculpture 55 cm

Description

A superb and rare pair of large 19th-century oak sculptures depicting Bacchus and Silenus. They are mounted on a blackened, molded wooden base and held in place by a metal rod to showcase them. Bacchus is depicted with his eyes closed, sporting a long beard and a headdress adorned with grapes. Silenus, Bacchus's tutor and inseparable companion, is depicted--as is often the case--as a bearded old man with pronounced features and horse-like ears; he embodies intoxication and rustic wisdom. A high-quality piece, carved in high relief in the Renaissance style, the wood's patina is warm and superb, lending even greater depth. The sculpting is dynamic and expressive, highlighting the faces; the work is meticulous and highly decorative.

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