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Alabaster Statuette Depicting Mercury



800 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Alabaster

Height : 29

Description

Refined white alabaster sculpture depicting the god Mercury (Hermes), inspired by the famous neoclassical masterpiece created by Danish sculptor Bertel Thorvaldsen in 1818 (Mercury about to Kill Argus). Recognizable by his characteristic winged petasos, the god is captured at the climax of the myth recounted by Ovid: seated on a draped tree trunk, he has just finished playing the panpipes (syrinx) to lull the giant Argus to sleep, while reaching with his right hand to draw his sword. Good overall condition; note an old restoration to the left wrist, minor chips to the corners of the base, and natural patina and veining of the material. Late 19th - early 20th century. Dimensions: 9.7 x 9 x 29 (h) cm

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