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Mantel Clock Napoleon III Period By P.buhrf



2 000 EUR

Signature : P.buhrf

Period : 19th century

Condition : L'horloge est en excellent et parfait état de fonctionnement.

Material : Bronze

Width : 22 cm

Height : 33,5 cm

Depth : 16 cm

Description

We are honored to present a truly striking mantel clock, a magnificent testament to the exquisite craftsmanship and refined aesthetic that defined the Napoleon III period in 19th-century France. This exceptional timepiece showcases a harmonious blend of architectural form and precise horological function, distinguished by its strong emphasis on neoclassical elements and imperial symbolism. Architectural Grandeur and Distinctive Design:

The clock is majestically presented in a classic portico form, a design favored during the Empire and Napoleon III periods for its imposing and balanced symmetry. Its central structure features two robust, fluted columns crafted from contrasting marble types, elegantly framing and supporting the circular white enamel dial. The

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dial, with its crisp Roman numerals, offers exceptional clarity. The columns are crowned with richly detailed gilt bronze capitals and rest upon complementary gilt bronze bases, lending an air of classical strength and opulent allure. Above the dial, a sophisticated sculptural group depicting a winged figure adds a dramatic and symbolic flourish that evokes celestial grandeur and classical iconography. The visible, finely crafted pendulum beneath the dial contributes a dynamic visual element.

Luxurious Materials and Impeccable Craftsmanship:

The clock rests on a substantial rectangular base, expertly crafted from a combination of diverse marble types, creating a visually compelling contrast and enhancing its inherent luxury. This opulent foundation is further embellished with finely cast and meticulously chased gilt bronze mounts, featuring intricate motifs of scrolling acanthus leaves and delicate floral swags, all executed with remarkable precision. The interplay of lustrous gilt bronze with the varied marble hues creates a visually striking and inherently luxurious effect, ensuring this piece commands attention.

Key Selling Points & Investment Potential:

Authentic Napoleon III Style: This clock flawlessly embodies the elegance, monumental scale, and neoclassical influences that define the highly sought-after Napoleon III period, making it a quintessential example of the era's decorative arts.

Masterful Intricate Craftsmanship: The exceptional level of detail in the bronzework, the precision of the sculptural elements, and the discerning selection of the luxurious marbles all contribute significantly to the clock's inherent value and prestige.

Profound Historical Significance: The clock's sophisticated design eloquently evokes the grandeur, opulence, and intellectual aspirations of the 19th-century French imperial era, rendering it a tangible piece of history.

Strong Investment Potential: As a unique, high-quality, and historically important piece from a desirable period, this clock represents a compelling

investment opportunity, poised to appreciate in value over time for the astute collector.