



## 19th Bronze Bust Of Ariane F Barbedienne



3 500 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 30 cm

Height : 30 cm

Depth : 18 cm

### Description

A French patinated bronze bust of Ariadne by F. Barbedienne, exemplifying the masterful craftsmanship and artistry of the 19th century.

The piece, known for its exquisite "parcel reduction" technique, draws inspiration from the classical sculptures of Bertel Thorvaldsen, circa 1805-1810. This bust is often compared to the renowned antique bust of Antinous, currently housed in the Fitzwilliam Museum, due to its similar execution and emotional depth.

Ariadne, in Greek mythology, was the daughter of King Minos and played a pivotal role in aiding the hero Theseus with her thread to navigate the labyrinth and escape the Minotaur. As a symbol of resilience and personal growth, her figure has come to represent the strength and courage required to overcome great challenges.

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This finely crafted bronze bust is a testament to both the technical skill of Barbedienne and the enduring cultural influence of classical themes in 19th-century French art. It serves as a striking addition to any collection of fine sculpture, embodying both historical significance and artistic excellence.