

## Louis-philippe



#### 1 590 EUR

Period: 19th century Condition: Bon état Material: Marquetry

Width: 58 cm
Height: 118 cm
Depth: 16 cm

### Description

Secretaire flap "Billet douce", also called "portfolio"

Veneer of Amboyna burl, rosewood and blackened sticks, resting on two pilasters carried by two fluted pads connected by a turned and fluted spacer.

It opens with a flap, Interior in lemontree presenting, in addition to a tablet sheathed in leather, mail lockers and a pen tray with its original glass tank. The upper part reveals a secret compartment operated by a concealed pusher.

Louis Philippe Period

Circa 1840

 $118 \times 58 \times 16$  cm closed

 $118 \times 58 \times 45$  cm open

This kind of furniture which appeared at the

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beginning of the 19th century derives from the fireplace screen to which, under Louis XVI, a writing desk was sometimes added. Here, if there is no longer any question of a fireplace, we keep the spirit of an elegant light piece of furniture, space-saving, in which some mail accessories can be placed, with its inkwell and sand box, pens and paper. Nothing more than to write a word, a "love letter" at most, and no literary work, which the piece of furniture would not resist. Let's dare to "gender" this piece of furniture: in the spirit of the times, it is the quintessence of refined femininity. Luxury furniture, by its destination, it is also by the quality of its manufacture.