



19th-century Grand Tour Bronze Of The Herculaneum Piglet



110 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 6,7 cm

Width : 4 cm

Height : 4,5 cm

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Description

Very nice little Grand Tour bronze of the jumping piglet discovered in the Villa des Papyrus at Herculaneum .

This piglet was found in the Villa dei Papyri, alongside many other bronzes and marbles, in the largest collection of statues from the Greco-Roman world. The sculpture can now be seen at the National Archaeological Museum in Naples. It seems that the Epicureans adopted the piglet as a symbol of their hedonistic philosophy, which was not simply a matter of satisfying carnal desires, but a search for true pleasure and inner tranquility. This young animal is in an innocent state of nature, and has not yet learned the fears and hatreds that cause pain in human life. The appropriation of this image could be a

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way for Epicureans to thumb their noses at the ordinary, erroneous values of society.

Condition: very good. Traces of 2 small recesses .
THE PICTURES ARE PART OF THE
DESCRIPTION. For other photos, please contact
me.

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Signature : no signature, but an engraved star
under the base.

Dimensions : Length 6.7 cm - Width 4 cm -
Height 4.5 cm.

For information: the price indicated is without
shipping.

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