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Pair Of Tables Attr. To J.e Zwiener, France, Circa 1885

18 500 EUR



Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Wood marquetry

Width : 64

Height : 72

Depth : 37

Description

Charming Louis XV style tables forming a pair, in a scalloped shape, opening with a drawer on the belt and made in kingwood and satinwood veneer. Their tray surrounded by a bronze mold is decorated with elegant floral marquetry in bois de bout on a satin background. Beautiful decoration of chiseled and gilded bronzes composed of branches. They rest on four cabriole legs decorated with foliage falls ending in hooves.

Biography :

Joseph-Emmanuel Zwiener was born in Germany in 1849. In 1880 he sets up his extensive workshops in rue de la Roquette in Paris where he creates many original pieces of furniture. He imitated practically every style, ranging from "Boulle" to Louis XVI and including

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extraordinary personal interpretations of the Louis XV "exuberant" style. He participated in the 1889 Universal Exhibition, held in Paris, and was awarded the gold medal for his remarkable copy of that most famous piece of furniture, Louis XV's desk. The catalogue of the exhibition included a wonderful elegy qualifying the work as perfect : « No criticism what-so-ever could be made ». As that other famous cabinet-maker François Linke, Zwiener had most of his bronzes modelled by Léon Messagé whose work was considered as being of the best possible quality.