



Rare Small Louis XVI Style Chandelier, 19th Century.



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Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 43

Diameter : 33

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Description

Rare small Louis XVI style chandelier - Gilt bronze, 19th century. Beautiful small chandelier with six light arms in finely chiseled and gilded bronze, dating from the 19th century, in a pure Louis XVI style. This model is distinguished by its reduced proportions - only 43 cm in height - while retaining the ornamental richness of the large chandeliers of the late 18th century. The light arms, decorated with curled foliage, volutes, florets and pearls, unfold around a central fluted shaft, adorned with gadrooned rings. A high crown decorated with stylized leaves connects the whole with six delicate chains, emphasizing the verticality and elegance of the composition. The sockets rest on a gadrooned cup and hold a wax candle. Note that the chandelier has not been electrified. The old gilding is well preserved, with

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some wear. The rather rare format of this chandelier gives rise to several hypotheses. It could have been designed for a small, refined room - boudoir, oratory, alcove or vestibule - but also as a presentation model to illustrate the expertise of a bronzier. One could also consider a showcase or boutique chandelier, or a piece intended for a sophisticated doll theater. Finally, it could also be a companion work, carried out as part of a masterpiece, where the mastery of chiseling, decorative balance and assembly had to be demonstrated on a reduced scale. This would explain the quality of execution and the ornamental richness in such a contained format. Very good general condition, an element located at the top of the tube is missing (see photo). This small chandelier is thus a rare and precious piece, witness to refined know-how, ideal for adorning a characterful interior, a showcase or a collection of rare objects.