



18TH CENTURY FRENCH LOUIS XVI PROVENÇAL GILTWOOD MIRROR WITH LYRE CREST

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This elegant antique French mirror was crafted in Provence circa 1780 and reflects the refined neoclassical vocabulary of the Louis XVI period. The rectangular frame is crowned with a finely carved musical trophy featuring a central lyre beneath a laurel wreath, flanked by crossed torches and ribbon-tied elements, all symbols associated with enlightenment and classical harmony. The giltwood frame displays delicate beaded inner molding, carved laurel sprigs at the frieze, and fluted uprights terminating in small tapered feet. The composition is symmetrical and architectural, characteristic of late 18th century Louis XVI design. The carving retains a beautiful timeworn gilded surface with warm tonal variation and subtle red bole showing through in areas, enhancing its authentic antique character. The mercury plate shows light age spotting consistent with its period, and the reverse reveals early hand-planed boards and traditional construction methods. This antique Provençal Louis XVI mirror offers elegant vertical presence and works beautifully above a commode, console, or in a powder room. Dimensions: 19.5"W x 1.75"D x 38.5"H.