



LARGE 19TH CENTURY FRENCH SÈVRES HAND PAINTED BRONZE MOUNTED PORCELAIN VASE

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This monumental Louis XVI Sèvres vase was created in Paris, France, circa 1860. Standing on a bronze base, the tall porcelain vessel features a hand painted romantic scene in the manner of Boucher, with a gentleman courting a young beauty. The medallion on the opposite side features a hand painted floral motif. The vase is further embellished with a top bronze rim with bead decor. The large center piece is in very good condition with wonderful and rich colors and gilt accents over a blue background; the vessel has been repaired, but repairs only visible from inside the vase. François Boucher (1703-1770), was a French painter, draughtsman and etcher, who worked in the Rococo style. Boucher is known for his idyllic and voluptuous paintings on classical themes, decorative allegories, and pastoral scenes. He was perhaps the most celebrated painter and decorative artist of the 18th century. The Manufacture Nationale de Sèvres is one of the principal European porcelain manufactures. It is located in Sèvres, Hauts-de-Seine, France. It is the continuation of Vincennes porcelain, founded in 1740, which moved to Sèvres in 1756. It has been owned by the French crown or government since 1759, and has always maintained the highest standards of quality. Almost immediately, it replaced Meissen Porcelain as the standard-setter among European porcelain factories, retaining this position until at least the 19th century. Dimensions: 12" diameter 29.5" height.