

PAIR OF MID-CENTURY FRENCH METAL TWO-LIGHT WALL SCONCES WITH FLEUR-DE-LYS MOTIF

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Dress a powder room or entry with this elegant pair of wall sconces. Created in Paris, France circa 1950 each fixture with two lights is dressed with a Fleur-de-Lys motif at the pediment. The intricate twisted and scrolled metalwork is adorned with large, sculpted leaves on each arm. The lights are newly wired and gracefully embellished with decorative candle cover sleeves. The antique wall sconces are in excellent condition commensurate and age and use, and adorn a rich patinated bronze finish. The Fleur-de-Lis has been used in the heraldry of numerous European nations, but is particularly associated with France, notably during its monarchical period. As France is a historically Catholic nation, the Fleur-de-Lis became "at one and the same time, religious, political, dynastic, artistic, emblematic, and symbolic," especially in French heraldry. The Fleur-de-Lis has been used by French royalty and throughout history to represent Catholic saints of France. In particular, the Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph are often depicted with a lily. Measures: 12.5" W x 5.25" D x 10.5" H

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