

Cast Iron Urns

Pierre-Louis Rouillard ca 1856 iron French

The pair of urns were made by French sculptor Pierre-Louis Rouillard (1820-1881), a student of the well known Jean-Pierre Corot, and undoubtedly one of the greatest sculptors of the 19th century. Manufactured at the Val D'Osne foundry in Paris, the exact date of production is estimated circa 1856.

Rouillard's expertise was creating animal shapes and forms in great detail and likeness; the reliefs on each side of the urns depict two different hunting scenes; reflecting the four seasons. Intricately carved rams heads serve as handles. An expert in the sculpture of animal anatomy, Rouillard lectured at the Ecole des Arts Decoratifs in Paris from 1840 to 1881. Among his major works are pieces at the Louvre, the Paris Opera House, the Museum of Natural History (Paris), and the massive undertaking of more than twenty-four groups of animals and vases for the Constantinople Palace of Beylerbyi (Istanbul) – a summer residence of the Sultans. His work earned him many awards and much acclaim; these urns represent truly outstanding examples of his artistry.

65"h x 36"w x 36"d 4"h x 21 1/2" sq. base

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