

CAST IRON URNS

(FROM THE VAL D'OSNE FOUNDRY; PARIS, FRANCE)

A pair of Urns made by French sculptor Pierré-Louis Rouillard (1820-1881), a student of the well-known Jean-Pierré Cortot and undoubtedly one of the greatest sculptors of the Nineteenth Century. Manufactured at the Val D'Osne foundry in Paris, the exact date is not certain but is estimated at circa 1856. Fashioned in cast iron, the urns measure approximately 74" high and 53" across at the widest point. Renown for his unparalleled ability to recreate animal shapes and forms in great detail and likeness, the reliefs on each side of the urns depict two different hunting scenes, the set of all four possibly reflecting the seasons. Intricately carved ram 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 Beylerbeyi (Istanbul) - a summer residence of the Sultans. His work earned him many awards and much acclaim; these urns represent truly outstanding examples of his work.



Urn One | Front Detail



Urn One | Back Detail



Urn Two | Front Detail



Urn Two | Back Detail

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