



Louis XVI Gold, Tortoiseshell and Ivory Bonbonnière

Era: Louis XVI period.

Materials: tortoiseshell, gold, ivory.

Dim: diam 3.1 in (8 cm) / H 1 in (2,5 cm).

Charge mark: Henri Clavel, 1780-1789.

Release mark: Helmeted head, 1780-1789.

Master goldsmith mark: illegible

Circular bonbonnière in brown tortoiseshell and delicately sculpted gold mounting. The removable lid is decorated with a miniature on ivory featuring a distinguished young woman set on a monochrome background. The young woman is seated and is wearing a light blue dress. Her skillfully styled and powdered hair is encircled with a lace decoration. She is holding a small bouquet of roses in her left hand.

Circa 1780.