



**Gold, tortoiseshell and enamel Louis XVI Box. Circa 1780-1785.**

Circular box in tortoiseshell and gold mounts of different colors of gold. The frame is decorated with fine friezes of interlacing in green gold. The removable lid is decorated with an oval medallion depicting two young women dressed in antique in a landscaped background and surrounded by Roman ruins. The women, one of whom is kneeling, stand near an altar dedicated to Venus. This altar is surmounted by a putti and receiving garlands of flowers offered by young women. To the left of the doves, symbol of the Goddess of Love, arise near the altar. The symbols used in this composition reveal the sentimentality of this box. The inside of the box is fully lined with tortoiseshell. Some traces of wear.

Louis XVI period.

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Dim: D: 2.4 in. (6.3 cm) / H: 0.7 in. (2.3 cm).

Gold marks:

Guarantee mark: Henri Clavel 1781-1783.

Charge mark: Letter dated crowned G.

Charge mark: helmet head 1781-1783.

Price: 6900 €

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