



GOLD, ENAMEL, TORTOISESHELL BOX, LOUIS XVI PERIOD.

Era: Louis XVI, 18th century.

Materials: tortoiseshell, enamel, gold.

Dim: D 3.3 in. (8,6 cm) / H 0.6 in. (1,7cm.)

Circular box in brown tortoiseshell. The removable lid is decorated with an enamelled medallion. The medallion depicts young people dressed in the antique on a landscaped background and Roman ruins. The couple, whose young wife is crowned with a crown of roses, approaches an altar. The base of the altar is decorated with a medallion representing a quiver and a torch symbols of Love and Hymen. The symbols used in this composition show the sentimental nature of the box. A yellow gold mounting embellished with an interlaced motif frames the box and a central, oval medallion.. A second frame of gold interlacing girdles this charming composition. Louis XVI period.

Circa: 1780-1790.