



**Early 19th century red porphyry centrepiece with putti in patinated bronze**

Era: Early 19th century.

Materials: porphyry, ormolu, bronze.

Dim: H: 26,9 in/ Diam: 16,5 cm.

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An important Egyptian red porphyry centrepiece or cup supported by three putti fishing for shells in patinated bronze. One of them is sitting on a dolphin and blowing into a conch shell. The moving bed is scattered with shells and reeds. The group rests on a circular base also in porphyry, encircled with pearls and laurel leaves in gilt bronze.

