

French Kingwood, Marble and Ormolu Side Table, Circa 1900

£395



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Height: 72 cm (28.3")

Width: 55 cm (21.7")

Depth: 40 cm (15.7")

Description

A refined French kidney-form side table, dating to circa 1900, elegantly combining richly figured kingwood, a shaped marble top, and finely cast ormolu mounts. With its graceful outline and carefully balanced decorative detail, the table is a handsome example of the enduring French taste for luxurious materials and accomplished cabinetmaking at the turn of the 20th century.

The serpentine kidney-shaped top is inset with marble, its smooth surface enclosed by a delicate gilt-metal gallery. Beneath, the kingwood veneered frieze and curved sides display the warm, lively grain for which this exotic timber is prized. Ormolu mounts enrich the table at the corners, edges, and legs, adding a subtle golden contrast to the depth of the timber and uniting the design with a sense of polish and formality.

Raised on slender cabriole legs, the table has a light, elegant profile that allows its materials and silhouette to take centre stage. The curved form makes it especially versatile: equally at home as a refined occasional table beside a chair, a lamp table in a drawing room, or an elegant bedside or hall table.

French furniture of this period drew on the most successful decorative forms of the 18th century, reinterpreting them with exceptional quality and craftsmanship for sophisticated interiors. This table captures that tradition beautifully, with its kingwood veneer, marble surface, and ormolu detailing creating a composition of enduring elegance.

A charming and practical piece of French decorative furniture, ideal for adding warmth, texture, and a touch of Parisian refinement to a traditional or contemporary interior. Please refer to the photographs for condition, dimensions, and details of the marble, veneers, and ormolu mounts.