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## **A Pair of Brûle Parfum**

Circa: Circa 1790

Vasen, Kelche, Glas, Vase, Lila, Gold Vases, goblets, glass, vase, purple, gold

24 cm

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Circa 1790

Gilded Bronze

24 cm (9½ inches)

Paris, France

Cobalt blue glass, gilt and chased bronze, ovoid glass form, on a rectangular base with gold ornamentation.

This arrangement, characterized by a charming contrast between the transparent blue of the glass body and the surrounding bronzes, rests on a gilt pedestal with a gilt plinth. The arms of the base terminate in sculpted rooster busts, connected by a delicate chain hanging with applied tassels. The vase opening is crowned by a hoop-shaped, finely profiled, ornamentally openwork bronze appliqué. A very similar censer is housed in the J. Paul Getty Museum, Malibu.

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