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## A Pair of Jasper Vases with Gilded Bronze Mounting

50 x 23 cm 19.6850393700787 x 19.6850393700787"

> 19th Century 50 x 23 cm  $(19^5/_8 \times 9 \text{ inches})$

In the style of Pierre-Philippe Thomire (French, 1751–1843)

The upper round plate has been regilded.

Each vase is campana-shaped with a flared egg-and-pipe rim. The upper part of the body is decorated with a band of vine leaves above a frieze of classically draped dancing girls. The outward-curving handles emerge from a band of acanthus leaves, on a fluted base. The square base is decorated with lyres and ribbon-tied wreaths, on a stepped base with lotus leaves on toupie feet. The shape was inspired by the famous Medici and Borghese vases, which were frequently reproduced in the Neoclassical and Empire periods.

## **Exhibition:**

A similar pair is located in the Mihailovsky Palace, St. Petersburg.

## Literature:

Hans Ottomeyer/Peter Pröschel, Gilded Bronzes, Vol. I, Munich 1986, p. 364, fig. 5.12.8 OK. Bazenova, State Museum Pavlovsk: Complete Catalog of Collections of Colored Stones, 2013, ss. 63-64.