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Pair of 19th Century Lion's Head Chairs

£4,500.00

W: 60 cm (23 5/8")
H: 94 cm (38")
D: 63 cm (24 13/16")

A pair of 19th Century French Empire Period mahogany chairs.

This pair is of exceptional quality and detail, with carved lions' heads and square legs terminating in paw feet.

The detailing is so intricate on the lions' heads that they feature visible whiskers and teeth. The lion motif was often used as ornamentation in Empire style furniture, with its connotations of victory.

These chairs combine elegance and character with wonderful effect and are newly upholstered in French linen.

These chairs are attributed to Jacob Frères, the company name for two brothers who were considered the best producers of Parisian luxury furniture.

Their work was supported by the French government and helped to spread the Empire style. Remnants of classical art were incorporated into Empire furniture in order to draw comparisons with the French government of the time.

The most famous client of Jacob Frères was the wife of Napoleon Bonaparte, Josephine.

Materials & Techniques: Mahogany
Condition: excellent
Period: 19th Cent



