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French Bureau Plat

£15,000.00

W: 145 cm (57 1/16")
H: 78 cm (30 11/16")
D: 83 cm (32 11/16")

Stunning French kingwood veneered bureau plat.

Dating to the Second Empire, circa 1860, this bureau plat is actually very much in the Regence and Louis XV style. With its subtle curving lines, cabriole legs and ormolu mounts, this bureau plat has the refinement and subtle elegance to place it in the early Louis XV manner.

This piece has a dark leather inset sciver, embossed with a gold edge design. Three oak lined full length drawers and three faux draw fronts, with gold ormolu mounts.

This type of bureau plat was being produced up until the 1750s and they are highly desirable pieces of French antique furniture. Most striking on this piece is the elaborate drawer front construction, which serves to emphasise the curvaceous shape of the piece. This construction was often seen both in the period and in later high quality bureau plats in the Louis XV style.

The face/ mask motif to the ormolu mounts was often found in the Regence period and throughout the Louis XV era. It was a particular feature in the pieces of Charles Cressent (1685- 1768), who was one of the most prominent cabinet-makers of his time.

Whilst 19th Century emulations of Louis XV pieces can vary in quality, this bureau plat is a very fine example. It has excellent subtlety of line and fine proportions, making for a stunning feature in a drawing room or home office.

Materials & Techniques: Leather
Condition: Good
Period: 0
Leg Clearance 0.000000

