



19th Century Antique

A 19th century Italian statuary and Breche Violette marble chimneypiece, after a 17th century original in Pietra Serena at the Uffizi Gallery, Florence. The cornice shelf is carved with rich egg and dart and dentils, above a running frieze carved in very refined relief. The central coat of arms bears a shield with a single 'Leone Rampante' encircled with a laurel wreath, held aloft by a pair of winged putti. These are flanked in the corners by Imperial eagles in the Rousant position. The frieze is supported by deep S-scroll consoles enriched with acanthus. The jambs are carved with fruits of the harvest; pine, wheat, oak and orchard fruits displayed in Roman vases. The chimneypiece retains the original inground in Breche Violette.

Dimensions

Height 70in (178cm) width 71 $\frac{3}{4}$ in (182cm)

Internal height 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ in (108cm) width 36 $\frac{1}{2}$ in (92cm)

Footblock to footblock 59 $\frac{4}{8}$ in (152cm)

Shelf depth 6 $\frac{1}{3}$ in (16cm)

Reference

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