



XVIII-XIX CENTURY FURNITURE & DECORATIVE ARTS



## A PAIR OF FRENCH ANTIQUE MAHOGANY & ORMOLU COMMODES

Dimensions: H: 39 in / 99 cm | W: 51 in / 129 cm | D: 26 in / 65 cm

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A Pair of French Commodes in the Louis XV Manner Constructed in mahogany, dressed with gilt bronze mounts, and having Languedoc Rouge marble platforms; rising from swept cabriole legs, mounted with scrolled gilt bronze toes, and foliate espagnolettes over, conjoined with shaped aprons; incorporating three shaped and lockable drawers, having panelled oak linings, set with foliate bronze handles and keyhole escutcheons; the sides are of shaped panelled form, and the marble platforms have thumbnail moulded edges. French, Circa 1890

## Literature:

This very French design of commode was utilised, somewhat modified, by Thomas Chippendale, appearing in his 'Gentleman and Cabinet maker's Director' as a 'French Commode Table', and that design was drawn on by leading luminaries of the 18th century, as, for example, Ince & Mayhew, and the émigré Frenchman, Pierre Langlois.