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An Unusual Pair of Petit Rococo Revival Giltwood Console Tables

Circa: Circa 1860

82 x 62 x 28 cm (32¹/₄ x 24³/₄ inches)

Giltwood Marble

France

1860

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The console tables each have a moulded marble top of serpentine outline above a conforming giltwood frieze elaborately carved in the rococo style with 'C'-scrolls, fronded acanthus and rock roses and supported on scrolling acanthus carved legs.

The Rococo style emerged in the early eighteenth century, in part as a reaction to the formal Baroque style in France. Primarily a grand and opulent style of the aristocracy it was characterised by a graceful playfulness, light of scale with an emphasis on asymmetry and curving forms. The Rococo Revival was the most popular of all revival styles for both interiors and furniture in the 19th century and was particularly significant in the second half of the century as the style of wealth and sophistication.