

A SKELETON CLOCK FROM THE DIRECTOIRE PERIOD

Dimensions: H: 16 in / 39.5 cm | W: 8.5 in / 21.5 cm | D: 4.5 in / 11 cm

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A Symbolic Skeleton Clock from the French Directoire Period

A rectangular Carrara marble plinth with bronze toupie feet with knurled decoration supports an ormolu 'arc-de-ciel', with the circular clock over, dressed with garlands; the white enamel dial, encased within a pierced ormolu frame, delineates the hours in Roman numerals, with an Imperial Eagle finial, flanked by garlands; the eight day silk suspension two train movement strikes on a bell.
French, Circa 1800

Literature:

Kjellberg, Pierre. *Encyclopédie de la pendule française du Moyen Age au XXe siècle*. Paris: Éd. de l'Amateur, 2005, p. 320 shows similar clocks.