



**A PAIR OF ITALIAN CARVED GILTWOOD
CONSOLE TABLES**

Dimensions: H: 35 in / 89 cm | W: 63.5 in / 161 cm | D: 29 in / 73 cm

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Constructed from carved and [gilded wood](#), each table having four cabriole legs modelled with inward facing female caryatids, holding floral garlands suspended from the pierced apron carved with a central female mask, C-scrolls and lambrequins. The legs joined together by a scrolled stretcher with acanthus leaf decoration and surmounted by a floral vase ornament, on scroll feet. Each table with a serpentine thumbnail moulded [marble](#) top.

Italian, circa 1870

The design of these console tables relates to examples executed by Giovan Battista Foggini in the late 17th and early 18th century, particularly to those made after designs by Diacinto Maria Marmi. Two related drawings by Marmi for designs of supports for consoles incorporating female busts and volutes are in the Gabinetto dei Disegni e delle Stampe degli Uffizi in Florence, (A. González Palacios, *Il Tempio del Gusto*, Milan, 1986, vol. II, p. 31, fig. 13). A pair of very similar console tables was

in the collection of Baron Mayer de Rothschild (1818-1874) in the Dining Room at Mentmore Towers, Buckinghamshire, sold Sotheby's at a house sale, 18-27 May 1977, lot 882.