



**THE JUPITER & DANAË SECRÉTAIRE À ABATTANT
BY PAUL SORMANI**

Dimensions: H: 57.5 in / 146 cm | W: 37.5 in / 95 cm | D: 16 in / 41 cm

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The original design by Philipe Claude Montigny

Constructed from satinwood, crossbanded with amaranth and inlaid with kingwood and tulipwood, the [gilt bronze](#) mounts in the Goût Grec, standing on a plinth support below the double doors with geometric marquetry inlay on bookmatched ground, enclosing an adjustable shelved interior, the sides of the secretaire inlaid with conforming geometric marquetry, while the fall front panel has a large female ormolu figure of the mortal goddess Danaë below the escutcheon depicting Jupiter among the clouds, the interior with central cubbyhole flanked by three drawers to either side and arrangement of shelves above. Surmounted by a marble platform. The lockplate signed 'Paul Sormani / 10, rue Charlot, Paris.'

French, circa 1870