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Foliate Plaster Cast After the Antique

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Height: 33 cm (13")

Width: 23 cm (9.1")

Depth: 5 cm (2")

Description

A finely detailed plaster cast after an antique foliate carving, modelled with scrolling leaves, fluid stems, and richly layered naturalistic ornament. Capturing the sculptural depth and intricate texture of the original, this handsome relief has the quiet authority of a classical architectural fragment while offering a striking decorative presence in its own right.

Plaster casts have long played an important role in the study and preservation of historic sculpture. By carefully taking an impression from an original carving, the process records its surface, depth, and detail in three dimensions. The resulting cast enables the form to be closely examined, reproduced, and displayed without placing further handling or risk on the original work.

This example preserves the lively movement and crisp modelling of traditional foliate ornament. Its pale surface draws attention to the interplay of light and shadow across the raised leaves and recessed ground, making it especially effective when hung or displayed against a darker wall. It would work beautifully in a library, hall, garden room, or interior inspired by classical, Gothic, or historic design.

An evocative and decorative object for collectors of plaster casts, architectural fragments, and antiquarian works of art, offering both sculptural interest and a tangible link to the enduring tradition of copying the antique.

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