

Sideboard - dressoir

Furniture Collection

Accession Nr.: 5463 

Place of production: France

Materials: walnut wood

Techniques: carved

Dimensions: height: 155 cm
width: 109 cm
depth: 52 cm

The middle cornice is decorated with narrow strap work surmounted with carved palmettos and fan motifs. It hides two drawers. The front of the two-door sideboard is divided by three Ionic pilasters decorated with acanthus, feathers and palmettos. The outer border of the doors are lines of cut rosettes the inner border is a narrow plait of straps. The straight top cornice is decorated with lines of eggs cut in half. The inlays of the doors show a lion's head and a female mask in a cartouche. The sides are with carved foliage motifs. A similar piece is in the Victoria and Albert Museum in London and a companion one in the Paris Louvre. The structure and the motifs of decoration both show the influence of Du Cerceau's (1512-1582) furniture pattern book, published in Paris in 1550 (cf. Du Cerceau 1872, pi. 19). The lower part was added in 1968 taking as a model its companion piece in the [Victoria and Albert Museum](#) in London.

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