



ANTIQUE POLISHED FRENCH BRASS MILK JUG FROM NORMANDY, CIRCA 1850



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Country Of Origin
Age
Dimensions

France
Circa 1850
H - 15, W - 14 (including handle), D - 13 3/4

From Normandy, France, this polished brass milk jug was hand-crafted circa 1850. The outside of the stocky container was lightly textured by a technique called hammering. There is a scalloped collar where the neck attaches to the body. The mouth has a rolled lip, which is mirrored by a protuberant ridge that runs along the circumference. A thick handle rises from the decorative midsection and attaches near the lip of the jug. A molded lid with a riveted handle provides a secure seal, keeping any contents from spilling out.

During the 1800's, dairy farmers would transport milk from their farm to a distribution center or market. Homeowners would bring their own personal vessels to these gathering spots. The milk from the dairy farms would then be transferred into individual containers, such as this brass jug. In the early 1900's, the need for these carafes abated, as the advent of trucks allowed milk to be delivered in bulk. Today this would make a great addition to a kitchen, to pair with any copper cookware. The jug can also be repurposed into a decorative cachepot for flowers.

CONDITION: Good antique condition, with minor indentations to the body, lid, and handle. Traces of verdigris on the exterior. Buildup to the interior, commensurate to age and use.



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