

Basic Detail Report



Mercury

Date

after 1702

Primary Maker

Antoine Coysevox

Medium

Bronze

Description

This is made from bronze and it depicts Mercury riding upward on a winged horse. This is a table sized bronze sculpture of Mercury seated on a winged horse. The front legs are raised, the back legs still earth-bound. Mercury, wearing a winged helmet, sits side-saddle bearing a message in his right hand. His left hand holds the reins of the horse. The horse's mouth and eyes are wide open,

with wings poised and ready for flight. The imagery decorating the struts, which supports the horse, depicts Minerva, the Roman goddess of wisdom, entrusted with the female personification of France to the King Louis XIV.

Dimensions

Overall: 24 in. (61 cm)