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George II Period Giltwood Side Table with Breccia Marble Top

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A Rare George II Period Gitlwood Side Table with Breccia Marble Top.

Irish, circa 1730-1740

The rectangular breche Violette marble top over a frieze carved with leaf moulding and bead and reel astragal moulding with a sanded ground in between.

The apron centred by a boldly carved lions head with swags of oak leaves, scrolls and shells. The moulded cabriole legs with carved acanthus leaves to the knees and terminating in lions paw feet.

With chalk inscription ‘Killiney'

Height: 31 3/4 in (81cm), Width: 50 1/2 in (128.5cm), D:28 in (71cm)

PROVENANCE

Killiney Castle. Co Dublin

This table has striking similarities to a pair of gilt wood side tables at Malahide Castle, Co Dublin. These tables were supplied to one of the Talbot brothers between 1730 and 1740. The distinctive Bacchic lion masks holding the oak leaf swags, sacred to Jupiter, would indicate the same maker. A similar table appears on the trade label of William Wilkinson of Chequer Lane Dublin.