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A Magnificent Six-Piece Tea & Coffee Service on Tray

Paris, circa 1870

Maker's mark of Gustave Odiot

Height of tea urn: 63 cm, 24.8 in.

Width of tray across handles: 80 cm, 31.4 in.

Weight: 22,860 g, 735 oz

Comprising of a tea urn, coffee pot, teapot, covered sugar bowl, cream jug and waste bowl. Each piece with a cast and applied band of a fantastical scene of Poseidon, Amphitrite, and their children abreast of dolphins. The looping handles terminating in cornucopia. The finials formed as a floral spray.

Hallmarked to the underside of each piece and to the covers. The interiors of the waste bowl, sugar and cream with original gilding. The tray with a beaded and acanthus border again with looping handles terminating with cornucopia. The flat surface chased and engraved with vitruvian scrolls. The centre with a monogram.