



## Item #31109 Period Antique Aubusson Tapestry 9'7" H x 7'0" W



Original Price 64,995  
Outlet Price 44,995

Item Number 31109  
Name Aubusson Tapestry  
Size 7' X 9' 7"  
Origin  
Style  
Size Category Mythological Tapestries  
Rustic & Romantic Tapestries  
Vertical Tapestries  
Antiquity Circa 18th Century  
Period Antique  
Primary Design Pictorial  
Sub-Design Directional  
Design Genre Allegorical Tapestry  
Aubusson Tapestry  
Genre Tapestry  
Historical Tapestry  
Mythological Tapestry  
Romantic Tapestry  
Field Color Ivory  
Border Color Dark Blue  
Composition Wool with silk inlay  
Condition Very Good

URL <https://www.pgny.com/item31109>

### Description

A French Aubusson tapestry which is very likely part of a set from 'The Story of Telemachus' woven at Aubusson between 1776 and 1800 after engraved designs by various painters including François Boucher Antonio Tempesta



and Charles Monnet. These tapestries were probably woven at the workshop of Gabriel Babonneix.

This episode describes Telemachus and Mentor relating their tales to Calypso. Telemachus, Odysseus' son and Mentor, Odysseus' long-time friend go on a journey to find out news about Odysseus' whereabouts after he has been missing for twenty years. For seven of those years, he was imprisoned on the nymph Calypso's island, until the gods intervened and forced her to let him go. When Telemachus and Mentor arrived on her island, Calypso is still mourning the loss of her beloved Odysseus. She recognizes the similarities between Odysseus and Telemachus, and knows that he is the son of the hero. She pretends not to know who he is, and tells him that no one is to enter her island.

Telemachus tells her who his father is, and asks for her mercy. Calypso is so impressed by the youth, she offers him a warm greeting and shows him the natural beauty of her island. She reveals to him that his father Odysseus had in fact been to her island, and she laments his having left her broken-hearted. Telemachus regales her with stories of his adventures prior to his landing at her island. This tapestry was woven after an engraving by J. Collyer after a drawing by Charles Monnet, Peintre du Roi (Painter of the King Louis 16th). Monnet illustrated the original 'Adventures of Telemachus' of Fénelon in 1699. The engraving that inspired the tapestry's makers was included in Fénelon's book. Wool with silk inlay. Measures: 9'7" H x 7'0" W.

Hanging: The tapestry comes ready for hanging,



with linen backing and a strip of hook and loop tape at the top end, which can be connected to the opposite side of the supplied hook and loop tape, which could be tacked to your wall. For those who prefer the use of a tapestry rod, we can add the appropriate size loops to accommodate your needs. We now have a large selection of antique tapestry rods available as well, which we can provide detail upon request.

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#### Associated Words and Descriptions:

accessory, antique, antiques, antique rug, antique carpet, antique tapestry, carpet, carpets, cleaning, classic oriental rugs, collectibles, collector items, collector piece, decor, decorative accessory, decorative item, decorative rug, decorator, design, designer, europe, european, farsh, fine, fine antique decorative rugs and carpets, floor covering, floral, geometric, ghali, hali, hand knotted, hand made, hand woven, home decor, home design, interior decor, interior decorator, interior design, interior designer, iran, iranian carpets, iranian rugs, luxury, luxe, new york, new york city, nyc, oriental rug, oriental carpet, persia, persian rug, persian rug gallery, persian carpet, persian carpets new york, persian carpets nyc, persian gallery, period european tapestry, period european tapestries, pgny, pillow, pillows, vintage, vintage carpets, vintage decorative pillows, vintage rugs, rare textiles, repair, restoration, rug, rug cleaning, rug repair, rugs, semi antique, pillow, pillows, tapis, tapisserie, tappeti, tappette, tappic, teppiche, textile, traditional, traditional decor, traditional design, used rugs, used tapestries, wall hanging, wall decor, wool pile, wool rugs,



**Subject**

Telemachus and Mentor relating their tales to Calypso

**Persian Gallery Notes**

Part of the Story of Telemachus series