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A most impressive pair of Italian 19th century Neo-Classical st. white Carrara marble, Porphyry and ormolu consoles from Rome. Each freestanding console is raised by square mottled white Carrara marble supports below the square elegantly tapered legs with striking most decorative Porphyry façades. Above each leg are superb richly chased circular ormolu medallions of Roman centurion soldiers flanking the straight apron which is centered by a rectangular Porphyry reserve. Above are the original solid white Carrara marble tops with most decorative mottled borders.

In the year 18 AD, the Roman Legionaire Caius Cominius discovered a beautiful purple stone in the eastern desert of Egypt. Deep purple color with flecks of larger white crystals, perfect for carving. PORPHYRY comes from the Latin word for purple, which was the color of nobility to the Romans.

Porphyry is considered the most prestigious Imperial Stone of the Roman Empire. Porphyry was Imperial Rome's stone for columns, vases, alters, busts and other objects. Considered to be extremely rare.



