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An impressive and high quality Italian 19th century white Carrara and Rosso Levanto marble statue of Paolo and Francesca, signed P. Romanelli. This exquisite sculpture of Paolo and Francesca is depicting a scene from Dante's divine comedy. This statue is raised on a stunning and large scale Rosso Levanto marble pedestal with a mottled plinth. Above is the exceptional sculpture of Paolo and Francesca dressed in flowing formal attire. The concern on Paolo's face can be observed as he consoles Francesca with his arm gently placed over her shoulder.

The story of Paolo and Francesca in Dante's "Divine Comedy" depicts the two prohibited lovers being punished, as Francesca was to be married to Paolo's brother. Their tale serves as a cautionary example of the consequences of yielding to forbidden desires and has been used for centuries as the basis for classical love stories, most notably Romeo and Juliet.

Statue Dimensions: H: 45" L: 26 D: 19"

Pedestal Dimensions: H: 27.75" L: 22" D: 22"







