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A charming and very high quality French 19th century Louis XVI st. patinated bronze, ormolu, and Rouge Griotte marble statue signed Moreau. The statue is raised by a circular Rouge Griotte marble base with a fine wrap around mottled band. Above is a beautiful young maiden sitting on rocks in a bathing suit holding a lovely parasol above her head with fine foliate designs and a tied ribbon. She is looking at a charming finely detailed crab at the base.

Mathurin Moreau (18 November 1822 - 14 February 1912) was a French sculptor born in Dijon. He first exhibited in the 1848 Salon, and finally received a medal of honor from the Salon in 1897. He was made mayor of the 19th arrondissement of Paris, and in 1912 had a street named in his honor.

His father was the sculptor Jean-Baptiste-Louis-Joseph Moreau and his siblings included sculptors acclaimed Hippolyte Moreau and Auguste Moreau.





