

Case 5

Antoine-Louis Barye

French, 1796–1875

Bear in a Trough, modeled ca. 1832, posthumous cast by
Barbedienne (French, 1810–1892), after 1889

Bronze, sand cast

The original cast of this amusing little figure of a bear slumped in a trough, which is no longer extant, was bought by the duke of Orléans at the Salon of 1834. It is the first work by Barye that was acquired by the royal prince. The version presented here is a posthumous cast made by Ferdinand Barbedienne sometime after 1889.

Copper: 88.5%, Zinc: 6.3%, Tin: 3.5%, Lead: 1.1%, additional trace elements

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