



## Luncheon Plate

**Date**

1838

**Primary Maker**

Sèvres Manufactory

**Medium**

Hard-paste porcelain

**Description**

The Sèvres Porcelain Manufactory made this luncheon plate as part of a large service for King Louis-Philippe's hunting lodge and summer residence, the Palace of Fontainebleau. The "Ordinaire de Fontainebleau" dish service was part of an extensive palace redesign instituted by Louis-Philippe I, the penultimate monarch of

France, following the Bourbon Restoration. Designed by Jean-Charles François Leloy and decorated by Antoine-Louis Bouvrain, each piece in the set features big game animals in the Neo-Renaissance style, glorifying the blood sports that took place on palace grounds. The dinner service held meat prepared from the day's hunt and when not in use was displayed in Fontainebleau's Gallery of Plates to chronicle the history of the château. King Louis-Philippe first commissioned the animal design in 1836, with additional orders in subsequent years, until his abdication during the French Revolution of 1848.

**Dimensions**

Diameter: 9 5/8 in. (24.4 cm)