

# French Style Guéridon Directoire Tables

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What is a guéridon table? Guéridon Tables are often small, circular top tables which are supported by one or more columns. Some times the columns can be metal rods, or the opposite, ornate styled legs.



Guéridon Tables originated in France towards the middle of the 17th century, and the design concept was borrowed from the ancient Egyptian and Greek cultures. These tables were often small and would hold a candlestick or vase, or today a coffee cup and some magazines, or a lamp.

The style of the table back then was highly decorative, and would be a show piece seen in court furniture. At the time of Louis XIV's death there were several hundred of them at Versailles.

Within that time period the style of the petite table had been modified and seen in a variety of different ways, such as tables with columned legs, others seen in tripods, while others had mythological figures.

While some of these simple tables were made from metal, others were more detailed made of wood carved that were often gilded. Many of our modern companies have reproduced this french table.

Global Views produces a directoire rectangular and circular table which sells for around \$600. Today they are still really hard to find, but you can purchase these lovely tables on ebay for around the 100- 200 dollar mark.

The cheaper reproduction tables don't have the marble inset. Although they can be spray painted gold to simulate brass, which would allow you to pick your own style of marble to have custom fit into the top. They are absolutely stunning, and work wonderful in small cramped spaces.



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*Directoire Tables On Ebay- Find them [here](#)*

*Several of these tables can be fitted with marble or stone which can be inserted into the top*



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*Empire thuya wood "vide poche" table. The tray top originally facilitated a surface which would catch objects as one emptied their pockets. Now purely decorative, the rich graining and color of the burl wood top is enhanced by the chased bronze molding all around. All raised on an "X" or curule form mahogany base with bronze foliate capitals, a turned stretcher and foliate capped toes. The elegant neoclassical design is inspired by the work of Jacob Desmalter*



*George N Antiques*

*Pair of Louis XVI Style Gueridons -George N Antiques*



**THOMAS BRILLET Inc.**

*French Neoclassical Round Gueridon."Table Bouillote" [Thomas Brillet Inc](#)*



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*Pair of Louis XVI Style Bronze Dore' Gueridons [Niall Smith Antiques](#)*



A Louis XVI Mahogany Bouillotte Table

*Galerie Mazarine*



Ormolu Mounted Directoire Gueridon

*Galerie Mazarine*



An Empire Style Mahogany Gueridon  
Center Table

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Louis XVI Style Gueridon

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A Circular Mahogany Classical  
Sewing Table, Probably Boston

STANLEY WEISS  
COLLECTION



French Gueridon in the manner of  
Maison Bagues

THOMAS BRILLET Inc.

Empire gueridon table with marble  
top.

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French Gueridon

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Round End Table

CASTLE



Brass and Black Opaline Gueridon

IL VALORE AGGIUNTO

