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VICTORIAN CHINOISERIE GILDED MIRROR IN THE GEORGIAN STYLE.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1039719****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

Dimensions

Height = 103 cm (40.6")

Width = 53 cm (20.9")

Depth = 16 cm (6.3")

Description

Here is a completely unique Victorian gilt mirror created in wood and gesso in the Georgian Chinoiserie style. Featuring the two original mercury plate glass mirrors, this piece is certainly a talking point, and having spent hours on the internet I've never seen anything quite so ornate. Where to begin.....both mirrors are set into a gilded mythical world of waterfalls, grottos, rocks, bridges, staircases and swirling foliage and shell like flourishes, separated by a central shelf. Closely related to the Rococo style, Chinoiserie is characterised by exuberant decoration, asymmetry, and a celebration of nature, leisure and pleasure activities, all found in abundance on this mirror with its water cascading over rock formations, dripping down onto bridges spanning rivers and grottos. Created and built on a central wooden frame, the carved wooden features are attached and covered in gesso plaster then gilded. I have had the mirror cleaned and restored by the very talented James Bloomfield at Bloomfield Fine Art in Manchester, so it comes in good antique order, with the wear to be expected with a piece of this age. The mirror stands 103cm tall, and is 53cm across its ...

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