

SA1074230

Victorian Scottish Silver & Jasper Bow Brooch c1860

Price

GBP 380

| USD \$514 | EUR 445

Item Reference: SA1074230

Date of manufacture: Victorian

Dimensions

Width = 7.2 cm (2.8")

Depth = 1.7 cm (0.7")

Description

Technical Description A beautiful 19th-century Victorian silver and jasper brooch in the form of a bow dating to c1860. A combination of three colourful Scottish jaspers have been expertly carved and set flush to the silver in a way that gives seamless curvature to the entire piece. The silver is mounted with a handmade scrolling c-clasp, pin and tube hinge. Unmarked, as is the case with much of the Scottish silver jewellery produced during the mid-Victorian era. The agates exhibited on this brooch are; A "classic" bloodstone to the centre, the birthstone for March, Pisces. This is a green jasper (chalcedony quartz) with red hematite inclusions. This type is famously found on the Isle of Rum on the west coast of the island at Sgurr Mhor, otherwise known as Bloodstone Hill and is closed to collectors after being taken over by Scottish Natural Heritage. A campsie jasper, very finely mottled yellow and black with flashes of red hue spread throughout, native to central Scotland and named after where it's found in the Campsie Hills north of Glasgow. Lastly, a red jasper with subtle amber-to-brown undertones, likely another campsie jasper exhibiting more hematite (red iron...)

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