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Rare Asprey Coromandal Vanity case with crystal cut bottles / trays. 1862.

Price

GBP 3,750

| USD \$5,113 | EUR 4,376

Item Reference: SA1102160

Date of manufacture: 1860

Dimensions

Height = 35 cm (13.8")

Width = 40 cm (15.7")

Depth = 35 cm (13.8")

Description

Truly magnificent and original dressing vanity case by Asprey - 166 Bond St. Manufacturers to HM Queen. 1862. The box is finest quality Coromandel veneer onto a mahogany ground with quality brass bound edges and corners, and is fitted with two Asprey patented locks. The top lock face slides to the right to open and the bottom one slides down to reveal the jewellery drawer with its leather writing board. These locks were based on the Bramah lock design the patent for which expired in the 1850s. Asprey decided to improve this design by coming up with this "sliding" mechanism. It has a few minor marks which are difficult to spot but this is to be expected on a box of this age (over 150yrs). Please note I don't have the original keys. Within the lid is a leather backed mirror and a leather bound blotter. The ten heavy gauge solid silver topped jars and bottles fit snugly into the leather lined compartments. Other than the four bottle tops, all are hallmarked for London 1862 with the Asprey stamp. The glassware is beautifully hobnailed and almost as new condition. The rear central jar has a small chip to its base and is the only defect. The bottles also include their origi...

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