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## Antique Meissen Porcelain Spill Vases, 19th .

Price

**Sold****Item Reference: SA1105420****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

## Description

A pair of hand-painted porcelain green-ground spill vases, created by the skilled artisans of the Meissen factory in the mid-19th century. Popular in Victorian times, a spill vase was a vessel for holding thin slips of wood or paper spills used to light a candle or pipe from a fire. For convenient access, these vases typically sat on the mantelpiece. These vases are an unusual color, hand-painted with floral decorations framed in golden patterns, raised on four scroll feet and a circular base, and accented with gilt. They bear the crossed swords mark on their bases, along with the impressed numbers "72A" and "426" on both. The first model of this type of vase was produced by the Meissen factory in 1815. The Meissen porcelain manufactory, founded in 1710 by King Augustus the Strong, Elector of Saxony and King of Poland, was the first porcelain manufactory in Europe and led the industry throughout the 18th century. It set standards and created prototypes for European tableware and figural sculpture. All Meissen products are of very high quality, highly valued, and hold an important place in the history of European porcelain. Dimensions: height 14.7 cm, top diameter 7.3 cm, ...

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