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Vintage Mermaid Repousse Sterling Silver Vesta Match Case

Price

GBP 195

| USD \$264 | EUR 228

Item Reference: SA1120134**Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Description

This pretty Vintage Mermaid Vesta case is truly remarkable! Crafted from sterling silver with a hallmark of 925 on the inside of the lid. The box features an unusual repousse mermaid on the front, and the box is completed with a large jump ring on the side, allowing you to attach it to a chain. Vesta cases are small portable boxes that were used to keep matches dry. They were made from precious and non-precious metals. The purpose of the Vesta case is also to prevent the matches from igniting. Usually, the base of the vesta case has a serrated edge, known as the striker, which this piece does. Vesta cases were part of the essential 'dress code' of the late Victorian and Edwardian eras, making these now highly collectable items. METAL Sterling Silver MEASUREMENTS Measures 6cm x 3.5cm WEIGHT 25.3 grams HALLMARKS 925 CONDITION This silver Vesta case remains in very good condition. The box lid shuts firmly and has a hallmark for 925 on the inside. The embossed figure of the mermaid remains in good condition with just some light wear, and the body is smooth, free from scratches and dents, with just some light patina. This highly collectable item would be a great addition...

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