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Rare Royal Staffordshire Porcelain Stirrup Cup, circa 1820-1840

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1122825****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Description

A rare and antique porcelain stirrup cup, created by Royal Staffordshire, England in the 19th century. This finely crafted piece takes the form of a fox's head, with its ears laid back, modeled in relief with a highly detailed and lifelike depiction of the fox's features. The base is adorned with hand-painted green vine leaves and purple grapes, adding to its elegant design. The bright colors and intricate details make this piece particularly special. Stirrup cups date back to the late 18th and early 19th centuries. They were a traditional drinking vessel presented to riders on horseback either before setting off on a hunt or upon returning home, while their feet remained in the stirrups. Due to their association with hunting, many stirrup cups feature fox, stag, dog, or horse heads as their bases. These cups were designed to be comfortable to hold and small in capacity, allowing the contents to be consumed quickly. Stirrup cups were especially popular gifts among the upper classes, given to those who enjoyed hunting. Ceramic stirrup cups began to be produced around the 1770s, particularly in Staffordshire, one of England's major centers for ceramic production. Finding or...

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