

SA1123573

A country house ink well in the
form of a pony's hoof

Price

GBP 475

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Item Reference: SA1123573

Date of manufacture: 1900

Dimensions

Height = 5 cm (2.0")

Width = 9 cm (3.5")

Depth = 7 cm (2.8")

Description

This rather quirky item was made from the hoof of a pony from the county estate in Herefordshire of Stoke Edith. It has been fully mounted and turned into a desk inkwell with gilt brass mounts and a hinged lid with the inscription: Stoke Edith Cleopatra - died April 8th, 1912. This has been finely hand engraved within a foliate decorative design. Here is some information about Stoke Edith: In 1670 Stoke Edith was purchased from the trustees of Sir Henry Lingen by Thomas Foley of Great Witley, the head of the greatest iron-founding family in the West Midlands, for his second son, Paul. During the time of Paul Foley (d 1699), who was elected MP in 1679, the estate was enlarged and the house rebuilt. The estate was inherited in 1737 by Thomas Lord Foley, who three years later rebuilt the church adjoining the house. Later it passed to the Hon Edward Foley, who in 1790 set about improving Stoke Edith, employing, and introducing for the first time, the landscape architect Humphry Repton (1752-1818) and the architect John Nash (1752-1835), who were later to work in partnership. The site remains (1997) in private hands.

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