

SA1143876

Taxidermy - Black Tern by Rowland Ward of London. 1903

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1143876****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 41 cm (16.1")

Width = 39.5 cm (15.6")

Depth = 30 cm (11.8")

Description

Additionally, inside the case is a plaque which Wards have artistically made from a slice of stag antler, always a nice touch, and beautifully engraved with the inscription "BLACK TERN Hydrochelidon Fissipes shot at STRATTON AUDLEY 13. June 1903" In the early 1900s, the Black Tern, while still present, faced significant challenges. Historically, it was abundant in the eastern Fens of England, particularly in Lincolnshire and Cambridgeshire. However, extensive drainage of their breeding grounds had drastically reduced the population, and by about 1840, the English nesting population was largely wiped out. This bird shot in 1903 would have I assume been a rare visiting bird. Complete with all its original glass, including the all-important front glass which is stencilled with the legend 'The Jungle' trade mark Rowland Ward 168 Piccadilly London. 41cm High x 39.5 Wide x 30cm Deep. For more information on this most famous Victorian taxidermy firm see 'Rowland Ward Taxidermist to the world' by P.A.Morris published in 2003. The following is an extract from its preface: "Rowland Ward died in 1912, but his name lives on, synonymous with high quality and big game taxidermy.... For o...

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