

SA1150995

Two ships in a bottle, diorama,
folk art, circa 1920

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1150995

Date of manufacture: 1920

Dimensions

Height = 14 cm (5.5")

Width = 51 cm (20.1")

Depth = 14 cm (5.5")

Description

This superb folk art diorama ship in a bottle has been wonderfully modelled and constructed in a very large Bells whiskey bottle. The type of bottle used for display in a pub or inn. The main vessel is the Australian four mast iron ship, the SV Port Jackson, built circa 1890. This model ship is extraordinary in its modelling and detail. It is shown in full sail with accurate rigging and a finely detailed deck. The ship is surging through the water chasing after a smaller sailboat which is built into the neck of this large bottle. The diorama has a distance cost line and a small island, which from research seems to resemble a view of the entrance to the Australian Port Jackson, New South Wales. The ship, sea and landscape are all beautifully hand painted – a real work of art. The diorama comes with a hardwood stand custom made for displaying the bottle together with a Bakelite type plaque engraved with SV Port Jackson, circa 1890. This fine, very large example is in very good original condition. English or possibly Australian, circa 1920-30. Height of bottle 14cm x width 51cm x depth 14cm Height including stand 20cm

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