

SA1188478

Antique Coquilla Nut Snuff Box - Bugbear

Price

GBP 225

| USD \$307 | EUR 263

Item Reference: SA1188478

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Description

An early 1800s coquilla bug bear snuff box . Well carved on both sides with a gentleman's head on both sides, with a hat, hair, carved face etc. It measures 7.5cm l x 4.5cm w. A bugbear was a folkloric creature, and the term became a playful label for grotesque or humorous carved figures. In greenware, bugbear snuff boxes were usually: Carved from coquilla nut or boxwood or other fine-grain hardwoods. Depicting a grotesque or humorous face on one end Hollowed inside and used to carry snuff (powdered tobacco). Often detailed with elaborate carvings like soldiers, animals, or floral designs For postage costs outside of the UK please contact us.

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