

SA1190492

Usher's O.V.G. Whisky Advertising Match Striker By Raphael Tuck & Sons London c1900

Price

GBP 175

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Item Reference: SA1190492**Date of manufacture: 1900**

Description

Vesta holder (match striker) for wax matches. At the top is a hole for holding matches. On one side is an image of a wounded soldier, after the painting titled 'A Gentleman in Khaki' by Richard Caton Woodville. On the other side is the first verse and chorus of Rudyard Kipling's poem 'The Absent Minded Beggar'. In between these items on one side is the text 'USHER'S SPECIAL RESERVE WHISKY, EDINBURGH', and on the other 'USHER'S "O.V.G" WHISKY, EDINBURGH'. The bottom of the vesta holder bears a manufacturer's mark for Raphael Tuck & Sons. Vesta holder (match striker) for wax matches. The matches would be held in the top of the vesta and the side of the vesta would be struck by the match to set it alight. Because of the smooth sides it could often take several attempts. This vesta has little wear which indicates it was either not used, or was rarely used. It is one of the popular souvenirs which depicted the image of the wounded British soldier from Richard Caton Woodville's painting 'A Gentleman in Khaki (Khaki)'. The image was widely used during the Boer War and was often combined with the first verse and chorus of Rudyard Kipling's poem 'The Absent Minded Beggar'. The...

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