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Antique 19th Century Hand Painted Glass Decanter or Serving Bottle c1860

Price

GBP 130

| USD \$176 | EUR 152

Item Reference: SA1219612

Date of manufacture: Victorian

Description

Description A stunning 19th-century hand-painted glass decanter or serving bottle dating to c.1860. It retains its original stopper, slice-cut to clear and finished with a polished top. The elegant neck is adorned with hand-painted vertical lines, emulating cut decoration, leading down to a continuous hand-painted fruiting grapevine which winds its way around the body. Snapped pontil. A very unusual hand-painted example and one which is rarely encountered today. **Date & Origin** Bohemia, c1860. Period of Queen Victoria. **Condition** Excellent. No chips, cracks or restoration. Clean and clear. **Dimensions** Height: 34.5cm (including stopper), Diameter: 8.7cm. **Historical Context** By the mid-19th century, the dining table had become a stage. Glass like this wasn't just for pouring; it was meant to signal refinement and wealth. Rich colour, engraving, and cutting all designed to catch candlelight and signal refinement at the Victorian table. It was used not for storage, but for serving wine or liqueurs, allowing clearer pouring and better presentation. Pieces like this would sit on the dining table or sideboard, acting as both a functional vessel and a display of status...

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