

SA1221009

Antique Gold and Silver Baguette Paste Drop Earrings

Price

GBP 645

| USD \$870 | EUR 755

Item Reference: SA1221009**Date of manufacture: 1920**

Description

Incredible 19th-century drop earrings in solid silver with gold wires, encrusted with sparkling paste diamond stones in a variety of old cuts. The French jeweller Georges Frédéric Strass invented "Paste" in 1724. True paste is crafted from a special leaded glass that was painstakingly cut and then polished by hand with metal powder until it appeared to shimmer like a diamond. It was an instant success with the chic upper classes of Parisian society and continues to be highly sought after today. Nowadays paste is often used as a generic term to describe costume gemstones. SIZE: 6.5 x 1.4cm. WEIGHT: 11.4g. MATERIALS: Silver, gold, paste gemstones. HALLMARKS/STAMPS: Marked 9CT on the wires and there is a stamp at the bottom on the back of each earring which looks like 980. CONDITION: In excellent antique condition; all stones seem to be original and well matched. ERA: Estimated Edwardian-Art Deco (c.1901-1920s).

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