

**SA1230798**

## C19th Grand Tour Serpent Bronze Table Oil Lamp - Converted for Electricity

Price

**GBP 335**

| USD \$457 | EUR 391

**Item Reference: SA1230798**

**Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 20 cm (7.9")

Width = 18.2 cm (7.2")

Depth = 9.1 cm (3.6")

## Description

This is a wonderful and highly unusual original 19th-century Grand Tour Bronze Table Oil Lamp, beautifully embellished with a striking swan-neck/serpent-form handle. Dating to the second quarter of the 19th century, circa 1830-1840, this magnificent Classical Revival piece is believed to be of Italian or French origin. The bronze lamp has a beautifully shaped shallow reservoir with classical gadrooned decoration beneath, together with an impressive sculptural serpent-form handle that rises dramatically from the rear. The bronze has developed a spectacular, rich and naturally aged patina and is of excellent quality and good weight. The lamp is raised upon a finely decorated circular socle and remains mounted upon its original variegated marble plinth, which complements the aged bronze beautifully. Note: At some point during its long history, the oil lamp was converted for use with electricity. The existing electrical fittings have not been tested, and the lamp will require professional rewiring should the new owner wish to use it as an electrically operated table lamp. More recently, I have personally been using the piece as a rather fabulous incense burner, simply b...

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