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French 19th century salt glazed stoneware water filtration fountain planter

Price

GBP 1,450

| USD \$1,977 | EUR 1,692

Item Reference: SA1233025

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Description

Immaculate 19th Century French Salt-Glazed Stoneware Water Filter Fountain – Twin Taps An exceptional, gallery-grade late 19th-century French antique salt-glazed stoneware domestic water filter and fountain reservoir (Fontaine à eau filtrante), dating to circa 1880. This is a rare, museum-quality example of Victorian/Edwardian sanitary elegance, designed for the scullery or pantry of a wealthy French estate. Unlike common utilitarian cylindrical models, this piece features a highly architectural, multi-faceted semi-octagonal profile and is exceptionally rare in being fitted with its original twin brass spigots. The decorative execution is breathtakingly crisp. The front and side panels boast magnificent, high-relief neo-classical mouldings, including a central floral cartouche medallion, corner rosettes, and thick trailing floral swags running vertically down the chamfered edges. Every leaf, petal, and border line remains perfectly defined, showcasing the absolute pinnacle of 19th-century ceramic moulding. The piece is finished in a spectacular, rich caramel-gold salt glaze. The distinct, glossy "orange peel" texture has fired beautifully, giving the stoneware a stunning,...

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