

SA239662

Rare & Magnificent English Antique Mahogany Inlaid & Painted Box - Risque French Lady c.1910

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA239662****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Description

A real gem of a box, the like I doubt I will ever come across again, dating to the very early twentieth century, around 1910, a little over 100 years old. The oval (risky in its day) scene to the top is of a French lady (French chest of drawers, chair etc.) marquetry inlaid and hand painted. The striped wallpaper is all inlaid, the hair a separate inlay, the boots and the parquetry floor all inlaid and even the envelope on the floor is inlaid; quite stunning and about as decorative as you will ever come across. The box is covered in Mahogany parquetry work, the grain running in alternative directions created a chequered design. The edges are cross-banded and trimmed in Ebony. The box comes complete with a working key, and once opened reveals two removable trays lined in what looks to be a Burr Ash timber. The interior was clearly never lined and perhaps used to store stationery and writing accoutrement (given the letter theme on top) rather than jewelry, of course it would make a wonderful jewellery box today. Excellent condition and a good sized box measuring 12 1/2" x 10" x 5 1/2". Item ID: 35145 FREE Worldwide Registered Airmail Directly From London, England
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