

SA284601

Rare English William IV Mother of Pearl Inlaid Rosewood Writing Box c.1830

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA284601****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Description

A magnificent and rare find, I have never even seen a writing box quite like this before, very special indeed. Made from Rosewood, the box is made almost like a modern day attaché case being able to be carried with the cut brass flush handle (I wouldn't suggest doing this regularly as it is 200 years old). The box is smothered with very fine quality Mother of Pearl inlay with a central cartouche engraved and inked with the original owner's name "Susan". The box comes with a working lock and key and when opened, reveals the original leather interior with the lid turning down to become a writing slope or lap desk. The top section has two leather doors with a horizontal section below, all beautifully embossed and in remarkable condition for the age of the box. The two doors open to reveal a Satinwood interior for the storage of stationery with the inside of one door having room for pens and other instruments (the dip pen shown is included with the box). The other side has a portfolio where letters would have been stored. The section below has a removable pen tray in Satinwood and the original brass topped inkwell. A fabulous piece dating to the William IV era, around ...

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