

SA425712

Late C19th Italian 'Grand Tour' souvenir bronze sculpture reduction of "The Dancing Faun of Pompeii".

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA425712

Date of manufacture: 1880

Dimensions

Height = 25 cm (9.8")

Width = 8 cm (3.1")

Depth = 10 cm (3.9")

Description

Late C19th Italian 'Grand Tour' souvenir bronze sculpture reduction of "The Dancing Faun of Pompeii". Verdigris 'faux excavation' patina, and cast by the Sommer Foundry of Naples, with inscribed signature to the base "Sommer, Napoli". The original, now exhibited at the 'Museo Archeologico Naples', was excavated at ill-fated Pompeii in 1830 from the site of the 'House of the Faun' ('Casa del Fauno') where it had been positioned at the lip of the "impluvium", a basin used to collect rain-water. Nice smaller-scale example of this iconic image of the bearded, horned and tailed dancing mythical woodland 'faun' creature, depicted dancing in an ecstatic pose. H 10" W 3" D 4" Italy c.1880

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