

SA451201

Antique Staffordshire Greyhound Pen Holder

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA451201****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

Dimensions

Height = 12 cm (4.7")

Width = 16 cm (6.3")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

This is another really lovely piece of antique Staffordshire circa 1840-1860. A beautiful brown tan greyhound is shown sitting cross-legged on a gorgeous large cobalt blue cushion with a gold stripe along its side. The cushion also encloses the ink well with a small hole in it, in which you too can dip your quill pen, as many Victorians will have done before you. About Staffordshire Pottery Middle class Victorians loved clutter. On every table stood figures, animals, vases, and other ornaments produced by the Staffordshire potteries. A combination of the right clays, inventive potters such as Josiah Wedgwood and available labour made the Staffordshire district the centre of the china industry. Many small forgotten factories as well as the giants such as Spode, Wedgwood, Adams, clustered in the towns of Burslem, Cobridge, Fenton, Longton, Stoke and Tunstall, now incorporated in the present day town of Stoke-on-Trent. England's Industrial Revolution coincided almost exactly with the start of Queen Victoria's reign in 1837, creating wealth from industry. The new middle classes were eager to emulate their betters by decorating their homes with objects similar to c...

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