

SA459086

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"The Dancing Faun of Pompeii"
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Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA459086

Date of manufacture: 1880

Dimensions

Height = 32 cm (12.6")

Width = 9 cm (3.5")

Depth = 9 cm (3.5")

Description

Late C19th Italian bronze 'Grand Tour' souvenir sculpture "The Dancing Faun of Pompeii" , after the antique. Darkly patinated bronze study of the iconic dancing mythical Faun figure , excavated from the site of a villa in ill-fated Pompeii in 1830. The figure stood next to an impluvium , a basin to collect rain-water, at villa "Casa del Fauno" . The original now in the Museo Nazionale,Naples , Italy. Portrayed dancing in exultation , the horned and tailed figure stands upon an integral square plinth base. Produced in Italy during the late C19th, probably in Naples, as a souvenir for wealthy tourists who visited the ancient sites and sights. H 12.5" W 3.5" D 3.5" Italy c.1880

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