

SA490211

Exceptional Gilded Antique English Tantalus by Betjemman & Sons c.1900

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA490211****Date of manufacture: Edwardian**

Dimensions

Height = 35 cm (13.8")

Width = 41 cm (16.1")

Depth = 17 cm (6.7")

Description

An exceptional and rarely found large antique Tantalus, by the famous G. Betjemman & Sons of London. The frame is quite exquisite, smothered in intricate engraved decoration, the entire piece lavishly gilded. Underneath the handle, we have nice provenance, with the original presentation plaque "Harley Heckford Esq. A.M.I.C.E. (Associate Member Institution of Civil Engineers); by his colleagues of Finsbury (London) Borough Council as a token of his esteem and regards on his leaving to take up his appointment as Borough Surveyor of Poplar; February 15 1902" The Tantalus comes with a working key and once unlocked the centre of the barrel lock can be slid down to release the bar which is then moved toward the back allowing access to the cut crystal decanters. Again, another wonderful feature is the circular decanters, with a diamond cut design and all without damage. When placing these decanters, take time to get them in the right position / order so that the bar doesn't hit any of the stoppers. The base has been professionally relined in black fabric and paper, the decanters fit well and will ease with use. About as good as they get in every way. Excellent condition with...

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