

SA570346

Early Victorian Cased Maritime Artificial Horizon by George Dollond of London

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA570346

Date of manufacture: 1850

Dimensions

Height = 14 cm (5.5")

Width = 26 cm (10.2")

Depth = 14 cm (5.5")

Description

For sale an early Victorian cased maritime artificial horizon by George Dollond, 59 St Paul's Churchyard, London. This top quality instrument is comprised of a mahogany hinged case with original lock and key and additional hook and eye fixings to the front. Contained within the box a black painted metal tray and triangular lid (signed to Dollond) with a two paned glass top to enable viewing and to protect it from the elements aboard ship. The box also contains its original turned boxwood circular case for the safe storage of mercury. Inside the lid, there are two trade labels, the first to George Dollond, a descendant of one of the most famous British instrument making families. The label states, "G Dollond, Optical, Mathematical and philosophical Instrument Maker, To Her Majesty, 59 St Paul's churchyard, London". The second label is for the reseller, George Lee & Son. Their label states, "George Lee & Son, Manufacturers of Mathematical, Optical & Nautical Instruments, to the honourable Corporation of the Trinity House & the Admiralty, Ordnance Row, The Hard, Portsea & 3 Palmerston Road, Southsea". The history of the artificial horizon can be traced back to the sixtee...

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