

SA589499

Victorian Cased Portable Desktop Telescope on Stand by Aitchison London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA589499****Date of manufacture: 1890**

Dimensions

Height = 8 cm (3.1")

Width = 43 cm (16.9")

Depth = 16 cm (6.3")

Description

For sale, a late Victorian cased portable desktop telescope on stand by Aitchison of London. This ingenious version of the portable telescope seems to be specific to Aitchison's manufacture and is comprised of a two draw body with a one and a three quarter inch objective lens. It is 74cms extended and 40cms when closed and comes complete with its original lens cap. The first draw is engraved to Aitchison, London. The tripod base is cleverly designed to incorporate the legs into the body of the stand when stored within the case and allows for economy of space. The drumstick like legs are accessed by unscrewing the base of the stand where they are contained in their own specific tube. Once removed the base is replaced on the stand and the legs are individually screwed into it. The hinged top and the telescope rest are also beautifully manufactured. The stained pine case comes complete with its original baize lined fitted interior and additional sunshade lens. It has a brass carry handle and two hooks for closure. This telescope is from the early period of Aitchison's trading in London as following the opening of a regional branch in Leeds in 1905 his products included th...

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