

SA617188

Fine late C19th Italian 'Grand Tour' souvenir marble paperweight with micro-mosaic panel .

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA617188

Date of manufacture: 1870

Dimensions

Height = 10 cm (3.9")

Width = 15 cm (5.9")

Depth = 1.5 cm (0.6")

Description

Fine late 19th Italian 'Grand Tour' souvenir marble paperweight with micro-mosaic panel. Superb quality micro-mosaic panel cartouche-shaped paperweight depicting the 'Forum Romanum', the Roman Forum. The coloured micro-mosaic panel depicts the Temple of Vespasian and Titus in the foreground, with the further sites of the the Arch of Septimius Severus , the Column of Phocas , the Temple of Saturn and the Temple of Castor and Pollux to the background . To the close foreground is an area of leafy green foliage. Beautifully executed in fine micro-mosaic with a cleverly conceived perspective that leads the eye deeply into the landscape. Set into a polished 'Belgio nero' black marble shaped body with a moulded or ribbed edge for purposes of grip . In excellent original condition with only very minor historic chips to the shaped edges . H 4" W 6" D 0.75" Italy , Rome c.1870 .

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