

SA625359

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Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA625359

Date of manufacture: 1870

Dimensions

Height = 30 cm (11.8")

Width = 10 cm (3.9")

Depth = 10 cm (3.9")

Description

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