

SA670200

VICTORIAN AESTHETIC MOVEMENT VESTA CASE GEORGE UNITE

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA670200****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

Dimensions

Height = 5.1 cm (2.0")

Width = 3.3 cm (1.3")

Depth = 1.4 cm (0.6")

Description

What can only be described as a most stunning and unusual solid silver Vesta Case, iconic decoration in the manner of the Aesthetic Movement, focusing on the beautiful! It is superbly decorative, embellished with the very finest engraving, featuring a bird in flight amongst gorgeous fanned leaves with a geometric design across one corner. The other side is equally attractive with a floral theme, again featuring a bird, this time sitting on a branch. Attention to the smallest detail is evident. This Vesta is made even more attractive by the lovely shape which although rectangular has curved edges and is very slightly convex. The hinged lid opens nicely to reveal a lovely gilt interior and the clear hallmarks for the Birmingham Assay Office with a date mark for 1882 and Lion Passant indicating the finest sterling silver. Maker's marks are also visible for the renowned silversmith George Unite. (There are also partial marks to the inside of the lid). This is a stunning and unusual Vesta. The quality of the silversmith's work is apparent! A rare item and very pleasing on the eye! Condition: In great antique collector's condition. Hallmarks and maker's...

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