

SA697490

Georgian Apothecary Cabinet Box with Contents

Price

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Item Reference: SA697490

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 36 cm (14.2")

Width = 31 cm (12.2")

Depth = 21 cm (8.3")

Description

Superb example of an early 19th Century mahogany apothecary cabinet, complete with most of its original contents. The box itself is made from mahogany with a recessed campaign style brass handle and brass escutcheons. The doors open to reveal an arrangement of 18 glass bottles recessed inside the doors and a further 5 larger bottles in the centre section. Below these bottles are 3 small drawers, each with a turned bone (cow/bovine) handle and a sliding lid. These small drawers contain an assortment of medical pieces including glass mixing tubes, syringes, bandages and cardboard pots for pills. Below these drawers are two further large drawers. The first fully fitted and containing a small spirit burner, some scales and weights (string not attached), spatulas, syringes, tweezers, corks and other items. The final drawer contains 6 further small glass bottles, four ceramic or glass mixing pots and various cardboard boxes of tablets or pills - truly everything a travelling doctor would have needed in the 19th century! Hidden in the top corner of the box is a small latch which releases a secret sliding compartment at the rear of the box. This contains 5 additional glass bottles...

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