

SA74292

Antique English Inlaid Walnut Double Action Writing Slope c.1850

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA74292****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Description

Often described as Tunbridge Ware, which this is not exactly, this stunning Walnut writing box has the most exquisite parquetry inlay with a variety of timber, all intricate and all intact. This exceptional inlay is enhanced with a Mother of Pearl Cartouche to the top and an escutcheon to the front which houses the working tasseled key. The lid opens to reveal a re-lined interior in a handsome hand-coloured marble paper. The tray lifts out to reveal the section below which in turn opens to reveal a leather lined writing slope, gold embossed; hence these are known as "double action writing slopes". To the back of the slope there is a central removable pen tray and each side a cut crystal inkwell (one with a rim chip). The top section opens to reveal a further section for the storage of letters, papers or stationery, there is an age crack to the base wood, which is common, not seen and mentioned purely for accuracy. A superb and rarely found box in excellent condition, measuring 12" x 9" x 6" tall while closed. Item ID: 32164 ----- FREE Worldwide Registered Airmail Directly from London, England

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