

SA762193

Antique Hand Carved Black Forest Bears Inkstand 19th Century

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA762193****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 15 cm (5.9")

Width = 23 cm (9.1")

Depth = 14 cm (5.5")

Description

This charming antique Black Forest inkstand dates from circa 1880. Beautifully modelled, hand carved from linden wood, with mother and baby bear on a naturalistically carved rocky outcrop. The inkwells are in the form of a pair of tree trunks with fluted glass wells with carved lids and a useful pen tray in front. Condition: In excellent condition. As an antique item, it shows signs of use commensurate with age, these minor condition issues are mentioned for accuracy and, as seen in the accompanying photographs, the inkstand displays beautifully. Dimensions in cm: Height 15 x Width 23 x Depth 14 Dimensions in inches: Height 5.9 x Width 9.1 x Depth 5.5 History of Black Forest Carving The idea behind the success of Brienzen wood carving was quite simple. After a disastrous famine in 1816 in the Brienzen area people were forced to find new areas of revenues. Driven by the need to create jobs in the Bernese Oberland, an economically underdeveloped region, the Swiss government encouraged the existing resource of timber industry to liaise with the traditional wooden craftsmanship. It took some time to improve from home requirements to sophisticated designed arts but th...

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