

SA78909

Rare and Spectacular Victorian English Postbox Formed Stationery Cabinet c.1880

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA78909****Date of manufacture: 1880**

Description

Although I have had a few Mail box shaped Letter boxes before, the kind used on a hotel reception or grand country mansion, I have never seen a stationery box in the form of an English Victorian postbox, I couldn't leave it behind on one of recent buying trips. Made from solid English Oak and dating to around 1880, late Victorian in era, the front has an engraved "Letters" plaque in solid brass and the collection times behind a glazed window, this can be changed from the inside. The interior is quite spectacular, fitted for stationery and includes two sliding out shelves each holding in place the original tiny cut crystal and brass inkwells, there is also a drawer underneath for nibs, sealing wax and postage stamps. It is amazing these inkwells have remained with the box and undamaged over the last 130 years, it quite clearly has been tucked away in a private house for many years. The inside of the door is also fitted to hold various dip pens and pencils, the modest one you see in the photograph, I will leave included. I am sad to have to offer this highly collectible gem for sale, never seen before and will probably never see again. Complete with working key. The b...

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