

SA799191

Early C19th Regency period
papier-mâché lacquered tray by
Clay .

Price

GBP 1,700

| USD \$2,296 | EUR 1,988

Item Reference: SA799191

Date of manufacture: Regency

Dimensions

Height = 50 cm (19.7")

Width = 62 cm (24.4")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

Early C19th Regency period papier-mâché lacquered tray by Clay. Superbly decorated fantastical Chinoiserie papier-mâché tray with the original shaped and gilded cast-bronze handles. The Chinoiserie lacquer decoration featuring pagodas in a landscape with gilded highlights. The reverse with a clear stamp and maker's mark for "Clay, King St., Covent Garden". In excellent original condition with historic minor chips to the edges. The surface with minor crackulature, commensurate with age and as to be expected by the nature of the material. *The renowned firm of Henry Clay established in Birmingham, patented a process for treating laminated sheets of paper with linseed oil to produce waterproof panels in 1772. Clay produced items ranging from caddies, knife boxes, trays and dressing cases to small pieces of furniture. The company moved to London established workshops at 18, King St., Covent Garden, where his array of clientele included the Royal Family, and in particular the Prince of Wales. H 20" W 26" D 2" England c. 1810

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