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Georgian English Mahogany Writing Box With Secret Drawer c.1820

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA89112****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Description

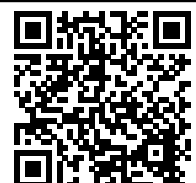
A wonderful and elegant antique English writing box, clearly portable with its cast brass carry handle to the top; the laptop of the early nineteenth century. Made from a wonderful piece of Mahogany, the top of the lid really shows off its beauty framed with fine Boxwood & Ebony stringing and edged in Boxwood. The lid opens to reveal a leather writing surface with gold embossing with a matching leather within the lid. There is a tray section at the back for a (short) dip pen and / or other bits and pieces; each side is a brass topped glass inkwell, one for red ink, the other for black. The leather writing surface lifts to reveal a storage compartment underneath for storage of letters or stationery. Unusually in this box there is a secret drawer, something one would only expect to see in larger later writing slopes, so a real pleasure to find in this box. The Mahogany panel at the back lifts and can be removed to reveal the single secret drawer filling the area under the tray above. There is a brass pin which holds the drawer in place and can be removed once the lid is opened, then allowing access to the drawer which is lined in a red velvet. Complete with workin...

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