

SA925402

Pair of Regency Papier Mâché Spirit Decanter Coasters

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA925402****Date of manufacture: Regency**

Dimensions

Height = 4.4 cm (1.7")

Width = 12.3 cm (4.8")

Description

A very pretty pair of Regency Period Blue, Black and Gilt decorated Papier Mâché spirit decanter coasters, the borders decorated with trailing vines separated by blue oval panels showing white quills between tram lines. Circa 1820

Price :£ 590-00p Height:1.75", 4.4 cms, Width: 4.75", 12.3 cms. Wine coasters have been an integral part of the elegant dining table in England since the 18th century, when they were also known as bottle slides. A coaster serves various functions- it prevents spillage from a bottle or decanter on a tablecloth or directly onto a polished table, it stops one decanter touching another and thus prevents chipping of cut-glass decanters; and it allows the bottle or decanter to be slid across the table, "coasting", from one diner to another. The earliest bottle stands were designed to provide support for the narrow, oval shaped bottles used in the 17th century. When glassmakers started to make round, straight-sided bottles that could be stored in racks, a need arose to create a design that would enhance their look on the dining table. It became fashionable in the 18th century to remove the tablecloth...

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