

SA978410

Grand Tour Bronze Of Temple Of Castor And Pollux

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA978410****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Width = 8 cm (3.1")

Depth = 3.8 cm (1.5")

Description

A late 19th century Grand Tour bronze depicting the Temple of Castor and Pollux upon a marble base. The Temple of Castor and Pollux in the Roman Forum of Rome was erected in the final decade of the 1st century BCE, replacing the earlier temple to the twin sons of Jupiter which had stood on the site since 484 BCE. Today only the inner concrete core of the podium and three columns survive of this once massive structure. Castor and Pollux, in Roman mythology, were the twin demi-god offspring of Jupiter and Leda and equivalent to the Dioscuri of Greek Mythology. They are also represented in the constellation Gemini. Pollux was considered immortal whilst his brother was mortal; both were particularly associated with cavalry and the cult of the twins went back to the mid-6th century BCE in Italy. There are few very small nibbles to the base in areas commensurate with age but generally the whole remains in a very good neat condition. Dimensions:- Height: 13.75cm Width: 8cm Depth: 3.75cm Weight: 340 grams DELIVERY UK Mainland: FREE International Delivery: Please contact us for shipping quote
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