

SA981201

Rare Pair of Castle Hedingham Pottery Urns circa 1860-70

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA981201****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

Description

Castle Hedingham pottery is not widely known and takes its name from the small historical town in Essex where a family of potters lived and worked. Three generations of Bingham's beginning in the mid-19th century fashioned handmade pots from the local clay. The Norman Castle is the most prominent landmark in the area, which is today a popular and well known attraction. The pottery was first made in 1837, when Edward Bingham moved from Lambeth to Castle Hedingham. There has been some historical confusion as his son and grandson were also called Edward Bingham and all three became involved in the business. It was the middle Edward Bingham who introduced a style reminiscent of Medieval and Tudor pottery, which is the most recognisable product of this pottery today. In its day it was exhibited at the Art and Industries Exhibition at the Albert Hall, as well as locally. The company was sold in 1901 and production ceased soon after. The Bingham family moved to the USA, where the middle Edward Bingham was forced to retire, complaining of the lack of good clay in the USA. This is a rather rare and unusual pair of urns with handle, relief moulded with heads and with these w...

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