

**SA991302**

## Antique Victorian 15ct Gold Carved Shell Cameo with Figural Lady Head - c.1890

Price

**Sold****Item Reference: SA991302****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

## Description

We are delighted to offer this beautiful 15ct gold Victorian shell cameo made c.1890. The cameo features a delightful peach-like colour with the figural head being intricate and elegantly engraved. Despite its small and compact size, the detailing of the facial features, hair and overall 'crispness' are very impressive and a testament to the quality & craftsmanship of this Victorian cameo. For example, with a closer look at the base of the neck, you can find that she is wearing a pearl necklace which tapers in size, this extra detailing truly shows how much artisanal qualities can be found even in a small form factor. In addition to its intricacy, it is perhaps the height and contrast of the white relief that makes for a particularly beautiful and distinguished cameo. We believe that unlike other jewellery forms (such as rings & gem cuts etc) cameos present a unique medium for artisans to showcase their artistic skills and techniques, slightly closer to the likes of paintings and sculptures. As such, the more elegant, lifelike and endearing an engraving is, it tends to become more valuable and desirable. The border and frame are made from solid 15ct antiqu...

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