

SA997470

William and Mary gilt etui
c.1700.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA997470

Date of manufacture: 1700

Dimensions

Height = 7.5 cm (3.0")

Width = 3 cm (1.2")

Depth = 1.5 cm (0.6")

Description

An etui was a small case to contain implements for writing, manicure or sewing, and so-named after the French word estuier meaning to keep. They were usually designed to be hung from a lady's belt. It is in the form of a little pavilion or tent. This lovely little item was found in the Thames mud in 1985 after, presumably, nearly 300 years. The gilding is onto what is almost certainly silver as it shows no sign of corrosion, unlike the steel lid on the base which has utterly vanished. SIZE: 3 inches tall. PROVENANCE: Discovered in the Thames in 1985. A private Yorkshire collection since 1996,

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