

18th-century South Staffordshire Bilston Enamel Agate Double Snuff Box Ship



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Signature: Bilston

Period: 18th century

Condition: Bon état

Material: Enamel

Length: 10.7 cm

Width: 4.8 cm

Height: 4 cm

Description

A rare South Staffordshire, Bilston enamel double snuff box, circa 1760, in the form of the hull of a naval vessel, with gunports, elaborate stern, and lion mask figurehead, with banded agate lids and chased gilt-metal mounts. Measurements: 10.7cm (4.2in) long, 4.8cm (1.9in) wide, 4cm (1.6in) high.Condition: A few tight hairlines and a minute chip visible on the starboard side of the hull. Short, tight hairlines visible on the inside adjacent to the mount. The mounts retain much of their gilding, the hinges function well, and the agate lids are in undamaged condition and close well. Inspection under ultraviolet light reveals scattered retouching and, possibly, filled chips. The interior appears to have been restored, possibly covering further chips/hairlines.Note: Possibly representing HMS Lion, which, on July

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