



Ashford, Circa 1840 - Derbyshire Grand Tour Sample Obelisk - Pietra Dura



1 300 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Marble

Description

Visible in Paris. DHL delivery available worldwide. Black marble obelisk and samples. Dimensions: H. 45 (cm.) Ashford circa 1840. Obelisk in English "black marble" and inlaid with samples such as malachite, lapis lazuli, paesine, Sienna yellow, diorite... Ashford black marble. In reality, this is a limestone of fine density, which, after polishing, possesses undeniable decorative qualities. Quarries have been exploited since the late 16th century, mainly for architectural elements. It wasn't until the middle of the 18th century, with the spread of the "Grand Tour" among the upper classes of society, that small objects imitating Roman and Florentine production were marketed. Bibliography: Derbyshire Black Marble, J.M.

Tomlison Condition report: minor wear from use
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