Large, Lidded, Tripod-shaped Earthenware Inkwell And Writing Box, Early 19th Century



450 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Quelques manques

Material : Earthenware

Diameter : 18,5 cm

Height : 22 cm

Description

Large inkwell--a circular earthenware writing dish resting on three claw feet; the body is adorned with a painted design of leafy garlands in shades of green and blue, accented by a frieze of posts around the rim. The tall conical lid echoes this plant motif and is topped by a rim sculpted with a blooming floral design.Inside, the tray--perforated with five pen-holder holes--still contains its original powder compact as well as one of the two ink reservoirs. The central handle features a female bust in brown enamel, which appears to be original, as evidenced by the firing drips at its base. Presumed origin: southern France or northern Italy, early 19th century, circa 1810-1820. Dimensions: height 22 cm - diameter 18.5 cm. In good overall condition with a natural network of craquelure in the enamel. Note: an old

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repair at the base of the central bust and on one of the claw feet, a possible restoration on the fretel, and a few small chips from normal wear along the rim of the plate.