

Hector & Andromache. A very rare George III Snuff Box made in London in 1810 by Joseph Ash.

Sold



Description

The Snuff Box is broad rectangular in form with rounded corners. The cover is cast and depicts the rare view of Hectors farewell to Andromache, all surrounded by a Rococo scroll frame. The sides are decorated with trailing vines and grapes and the base with raised oak sprays. The box is very well marked and has a finely gilded interior. The scene on the lid of this box, Hector and Andromache, appears to have been loosely based on a painting of the same subject by the Scottish artist, Gavin Hamilton (1723-1798). An identical box is contained within the Lion Collection and is illustrated in British Silver Boxes 1640-1840, No 227, page 202.

Length: 2.9 inches, 7.25cm.

Width: 2.1 inches, 5.25cm.

Height: 0.75 inches, 1.88.

Weight: 6oz.