

An exceptional Charles II Silver mounted Tortoiseshell Pique Snuff Box made, almost certainly, in London circa 1680.

Sold



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Description

The Box is of a large slender oval form, with a plain silver base and sides with a protruding section at the front and stand away hinge. The cover is made of a single tortoiseshell panel inset with the most beautiful engraved silver depicting beautiful detailed flower heads, trailing vines and detailed bunches of grapes.

The centre of the cover is engraved with a central swirling floral rosette. The interior displays a gilded base and the underside of the cover has a red wash, which is occasionally seen on early boxes, to give a deeper red effect to the tortoiseshell. The box is in excellent condition.Length: 3.45 inches.Width: 2.65 inches.Height: 0.5 inches.