

Set of three pug head writing tools

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Description

A set of three Black Forest carved bone and ebony pug head writing tools circa 1890.

Black Forest carving originated in the mountainous Black Forest region of southern Germany and Switzerland during the early nineteenth century. Initially produced by rural woodworkers during harsh winters, these hand-carved objects ranged from furniture and clocks to animal sculptures and hunting trophies.

Walnut and linden wood were commonly used for their fine grain and carving qualities. The style became famous for highly detailed naturalistic subjects, particularly bears, stags, birds, and foliage inspired by Alpine forests. By the Victorian era, Black Forest carvings were exported widely across Europe and Britain, becoming fashionable decorative items in affluent homes.

Today, antique Black Forest pieces are prized for their craftsmanship, character, and folk-art heritage.