

Venetian glass scent bottle

£95



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Height: 8 cm (3.1")

Diameter: 7 cm (2.8")

Description

A Venetian glass scent bottle with silver top and yellow enamel design, circa 1910.

Venetian scent bottles, originating in the 16th century, reflect Venice's mastery of glassmaking and luxury craftsmanship. These small, exquisite containers were used to hold perfumes, a prized commodity in Renaissance Europe.

Produced on the islands of Murano, artisans employed intricate techniques like filigree, latticino, and millefiori to create delicate patterns and vibrant colours. Bottles were often miniature works of art, treasured by nobility and merchants alike. Beyond beauty, they symbolised wealth, sophistication, and the flourishing Venetian trade in exotic fragrances.

Over centuries, these bottles evolved in form and design, remaining highly collectible and celebrated as masterpieces of glass artistry.