

19th century yellow gold brooch

£375



## Description

A 19th century yellow gold brooch set with three fine blood red rubies, old mine cut diamonds, and four natural saltwater pearls, circa 1890

Natural saltwater pearls are rare and highly prized gemstones formed within molluscs like oysters in marine environments. These pearls develop naturally when an irritant, such as a grain of sand, becomes trapped inside the mollusc, triggering the secretion of nacre layers over time.

Known for their radiant lustre, unique shapes, and hues, natural saltwater pearls are a symbol of luxury and elegance. Unlike cultured pearls, they form without human intervention, making them exceptionally valuable and unique.