

19th century Italian candlestick table lamp

£450



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Height: 98 cm (38.6") Width: 15 cm (5.9") Depth: 15 cm (5.9")

Description

A 19th century Italian gilt gesso church pricket stand later converted to a table lamp with a custom made Mariano Fortuny shade.

Rewired with brown fabric twisted flex and fitted with a 13 amp plug. PAT tested.

Height including shade 98cm

Pricket candlesticks are traditional candle holders characterised by a sharp spike, or "pricket," used to impale the base of a candle, ensuring it stays securely in place. Originating in medieval Europe, they were commonly used in churches and wealthy households before the invention of candle sockets. Often made of wrought iron, brass or wood, pricket candlesticks featured elaborate designs and sturdy bases for stability.

Their aesthetic and historical appeal makes them popular among antique collectors and interior decorators today. While less practical for modern candles, they remain valued for their craftsmanship, historical significance, and the dramatic, old-world ambiance they evoke.