

Pair of 19th century carriage panels

£95



REF: 7360

Height: 21 cm (8.3")

Width: 21 cm (8.3")

Description

A pair of 19th century painted carriage livery panels with a painted family emblem in cast iron frames.

Carriage livery panels are decorative painted sections applied to the sides and doors of traditional horse-drawn and early railway carriages. They typically display coats of arms, monograms, crests, or ornamental striping that identify an owner, company, or route.

Executed by skilled signwriters, the panels combine heraldry, typography, and fine lining, often using rich colors, gold leaf, and varnish for durability and prestige. Beyond identification, livery panels conveyed status, craftsmanship, and regional style.

Today they are valued by historians, restorers, and collectors as tangible records of transport history and the artistry of pre-industrial paintwork, preserved in museums and private collections worldwide.