

18th century Bristol blue witches ball

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Height: 27 cm (10.6")

Diameter: 25 cm (9.8")

Description

An 18th century Bristol blue glass hanging witches ball circa 1840 with string ring neck.

Witches balls are colourful, glass spheres traditionally hung in windows or doorways to ward off evil spirits and negative energy. Originating in 17th- and 18th-century Europe, particularly in England, they were believed to trap harmful intentions or curses, reflecting light to confuse malevolent forces.

Their bright colours and intricate designs also made them decorative items, blending beauty with protective magic. Sometimes used in rituals, they symbolise clarity, protection, and spiritual insight.

Even today, witches balls are popular in modern pagan and folk practices, admired for their mystical charm, historical significance, and ability to bring positive energy into a home.