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Carved cornelian cameo brooch

£220

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Description

A Victorian carved cornelian cameo brooch, portrait of a Grecian lady in a yellow frame, stamped 18K.

Cameo brooches are elegant pieces of jewellery featuring a raised relief image, often carved from materials like shell, coral, agate, or onyx. Traditionally, they depict classical figures, mythological scenes, or floral motifs, showcasing intricate craftsmanship and artistic detail.

Originating in ancient Greece and Rome, cameos became especially popular during the Victorian era as symbols of refinement and sentimentality. These brooches are typically set in gold or silver frames, sometimes adorned with pearls or gemstones.

Today, cameo brooches remain cherished heirlooms and collectible vintage items, admired for their timeless beauty, historical significance, and enduring connection to personal expression and artistry.

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