

Rouen tin glazed faience inkwell

£95



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Height: 5 cm (2")

Width: 11 cm (4.3")

Depth: 11 cm (4.3")

Description

An 18th century Rouen faience tin glazed pottery inkwell circa 1769.

Rouen faience is a distinctive form of French tin-glazed earthenware produced in the city of Rouen, Normandy, from the 16th to the 18th centuries. Influenced by Italian maiolica and later by Chinese porcelain, Rouen potters developed a richly decorative style characterised by vibrant blue, red, green, and yellow enamels. The most recognisable motif is the intricate lambrequin pattern, inspired by ornamental lacework and heraldic designs.

Produced in a variety of forms, including plates, chargers, vases, and decorative figures, Rouen faience became highly fashionable among the French aristocracy before facing competition from imported porcelain and finer ceramics.