

Large 18th century marble mortar

£325



Description

A large 18th century Carrera marble country house mortar.

Country house marble mortars were a common feature in 19th-century kitchens and pharmacies, prized for their durability and aesthetic appeal. Made from solid marble, these mortars were used for grinding herbs, spices, and medicines, essential for both culinary and medicinal purposes. Their heavy, smooth surface allowed for efficient grinding, while the pestle, often made of marble or wood, offered a comfortable grip.

These mortars were not only functional but also served as decorative objects, often displayed in the kitchens of country estates. Their timeless elegance and practicality made them a staple in homes of the era, blending utility with refinement.