

19TH CENTURY ENGLISH WALNUT AND MOTHER-OF-PEARL OVAL INKWELL WITH GLASS INSERT

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Add a touch of 19th-century elegance to your desk with this Victorian Aesthetic Movement inkwell, crafted in England circa 1870. The oval base is built from warm walnut and features two recessed pen trays, ebonized for contrast and bordered with intricate mother-of-pearl and brass inlay in star and diamond motifs. At the center, a cut crystal glass ink pot with a faceted lid and silver-plated hinged collar opens to reveal the original well. This piece exemplifies the Aesthetic Movement's appreciation for beauty and craftsmanship, combining fine materials with harmonious design. The richly patinated wood and luminous nacre create a striking contrast, while the low profile and functional compartments make it as practical as it is decorative. In excellent condition commensurate with age and use, this antique inkwell would be perfect on a library desk, executive office, or writing table. Dimensions: 11" W x 8" D x 4" H

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