

Set of four Edwardian nephrite & silver candlesticks in fitted case Frank Hyams

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Height: 230 mm (9.06") Width: 105 mm (4.13") Depth: 105 mm (4.13")

Description

Set of four, square-column, antique silver and nephrite candlesticks from the King Edward VII era. The square silver bases are concave and each supports a square column of translucent nephrite topped with a silver cap, a square silver sconce and fully marked friction-fitting wax pan.

This set of candlesticks is presented in the original signed, wooden travelling case with the fitted interior lined in cream coloured felt.

Nephrite is type of jade and ranges from creamy white to green to almost black and is valued for its colour and resistance to breaking, making it valuable for making weapons and tools, as well as for delicate carvings from as early as 1000 BC.

Frank Hyams was a jeweller, silversmith and watchmaker in New Zealand (founded in 1885) where nephrite is found and associated with the Mori race. Hyams was the leading manufacturer and dealer of the New Zealand greenstone at the time, setting it in his in high-end jewellery and silverware

In 1898 Hyams established a second branch of his business in New Bond Street, London alongside Fabergé with a prestigious clientele, including aristocrats and royalty.

Examples of his work are in the British Museum and Smithsonian.

This set of four candlesticks is not available to purchase online. Please contact us if you would like more information or are interested to buy it.