

19th-Century Vellum Log Bucket

£125



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Height: 40 cm (15.7")

Diameter: 42 cm (16.5")

Description

A large and beautifully handmade vellum bucket, dating to circa 1860. With its generous scale, softly aged surface, and simple utilitarian form, this is a wonderfully characterful piece of 19th-century domestic design.

Crafted by hand from vellum stretched over a structured form, the bucket has developed a rich, mellow patina over time. Variations in tone, natural markings, and gentle irregularities in the material give it an authenticity and warmth impossible to replicate. Its pleasingly substantial proportions make it an especially practical and decorative fireside accessory.

Originally conceived as a household vessel, it is now ideally suited for holding logs beside a fireplace, where its understated texture provides a handsome contrast to rough-cut timber, stone, brick, or polished floorboards. It would sit equally well in a country house interior, a traditional library, a cottage, or a more contemporary space in need of a single antique focal point.

A rare and tactile survivor of mid-19th-century craftsmanship, combining everyday function with quiet sculptural appeal. Please note that the vellum surface shows the expected signs of age and use, which form an integral part of its charm and character.