

A very rare William IV "Leopard's Pelt" Wine Label made in London in 1831 by Rawlings & Summers.

Sold



Description

The label is silver gilt and is of a large size, being of the heavy die stamped variety. The design is known as the "Leopard's Pelt", and is of cartouche form with vine leaf and grape surround. A leopard's skin, with head and paws, is draped over the peaked crescent shaped name plate with raised letters for PORT, on a matt background. This piece is in excellent condition, very well marked, and is complete with its original large heavy gauge suspension chain. This design is one of the classics of the period and derives from an element of the Warwick Vase. Paul Storr manufactured the earliest examples in 1809.

Length: 3.45 inches, 8.63 cm.

Width: 2.45 inches, 6.13 cm.