

A rare, George III brass, pocket or lady's lantern, which folds into a book

Sold



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Height: 2 cm (0.8") Width: 11 cm (4.3") Depth: 10 cm (3.9")

Description

Expanding or unfolding on a spring. The vent with decorative piercings, etched to the sides and spine to simulate binding, with two-piece handle fixed to the spine,

Length 11cm Depth 10cm Height x 18cm when open To illustrate its small size the lantern has been photographed closed in its book form beside an 18th century, sheet glass lantern Length 8.5cm Depth 5cm, Height18.5cm

For folding book-form lanterns of similar date, see R. Gentle & R. Feild, Domestic Metalwork 1640 - 1820 (1998), p. 193, Figures 20 & 21.