



Country House "Penfold" Letter Box

Inventory Number :200-106

Size: 7 1/2 ins wide, 7 1/2 ins deep and 22 ins high

A fabulous walnut letter box of the most famous and distinctive designs – the Penfold Post Box. These boxes are distinguished by their hexagonal construction and acanthus bud surmounting the cap, and this excellent example has an acanthus leaf carved dome above a beaded edge and conforming case fitted with a brass mail slot, hinged door with brass and glazed panel above a drawer with brass handle.

The original full size Penfold boxes were made by Cochrane & Co. of Dudley Worcestershire between 1866 and 1879 and were designed by John Wornham Penfold, 1828-1909 a surveyor and architect. The design is considered the most successful for letter boxes and are highly desirable and collectable.

English, c. 1870

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