



**Antique Agate cameo depicting Hercules mounted in 18kt gold
£2,960.00**

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Made in 1876.

Fully hallmarked.

Dimensions:

Finger Size (UK) = X (EU) = 64 (US) = 11.5

Weight: 12.00 grams

Condition: The ring is pre-owned with minor signs of usage, good and pleasant condition overall.

Design Elements and Pattern

Design: The ring has a classic cameo design, characterized by a large oval stone set in a gold band. The band itself is broad and robust, complementing the central stone.

Pattern: The cameo features a detailed carving of a profile, which is typical for cameo jewellery. The carving depicts Hercules, identifiable by his characteristic features such as the lion's mane and muscular build.

Stone Material: The stone is a carved agate, which is commonly used material for cameos due to its layered structure that allows for detailed carvings with contrasting colours.

Cameo Jewellery: Cameos have been popular since ancient times, with origins tracing back to Greece and Rome. They often depicted gods, mythological scenes, or portraits of significant individuals. Cameo rings were particularly popular during the Georgian and Victorian eras.

Hercules in Mythology: Hercules (Heracles in Greek mythology) is one of the most renowned heroes, famous for his incredible strength and his Twelve Labours, which were a series of tasks performed as penance. He symbolizes strength, bravery, and endurance, making his depiction popular in various art forms, including jewellery.

Origin	British
Period	Pre 1900
Condition	Good
Materials	Gold
Main Gemstone	Agate
Main Gemstone Cut	Oval Cut
Ring Size	X
Carat for Gold	18 K

Antique ref: Hercules ring