



19th Century Gold Brooch with Agate Cameo and Pearls

Era: Napoléon III.

Materials: agate, gold, pearl.

Dim: H 2.2 in (5,5 cm) / W 1.3 in (3,4 cm).

Weight: 0.7 oz (20 g)

Horse head, from 1838.

Cameo on brown agate featuring a young woman looking toward the left. The artist intricately sculpted the white vein of the agate to bring the delicate profile to life. The young woman is wearing a dress from the 17th century with a laced bodice and ruffled collar. This woman from high society has her hair pulled back in a bun and is wearing a diadem and earrings. The gold mounting is highlighted with pearls and topped with an intricately sculpted scrollwork motif. Late-19th century craftsmanship.