

Finch & C^o



A HELLENISTIC FUNERARY STELE IN HIGH RELIEF WITH TWO MALE HEADS
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MARBLE

GREEK HELLENISTIC

CIRCA 2ND CENTURY BC

SIZE: 20.5CM HIGH, 38CM WIDE, 11CM DEEP - 8 INS HIGH, 15 INS WIDE, 4¼ INS DEEP / 25.5CM HIGH - 10 INS HIGH (WITH BASE)

LITERATURE

THE FRAGMENT IS PROBABLY FROM THE UPPER PART OF A SIZEABLE MARBLE FUNERARY 'STELE'. DECORATED IN HIGH RELIEF WITH TWO MALE HEADS. THE HEAD SHOWN TO THE RIGHT DEPICTS A YOUTH GAZING SLIGHTLY OUTWARDS, WHILE THE HEAD TO THE LEFT DEPICTS A MAN GAZING UPWARDS TOWARDS THE YOUTH. WE CAN LOOK AT THE SCENE AS ONE OF MOURNING, WITH THE OLDER MAN SHOWING HIS RESPECT AND GRIEVING THE YOUNGER YOUTH.

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EX PRIVATE COLLECTION, PARIS, FRANCE, ACQUIRED EARLY 20TH CENTURY

ORIGINALLY ENCASED IN AN ART DECO PLASTER DISPLAY MOUNT WITH A GREY POLISHED SURFACE

EX UK COLLECTION