## PAGODA RED







### **ENGLISH SNUFF BOX WITH MOTHER-OF-PEARL INLAY**

#### \$188

c. 1900 • United Kingdom • Paper, Lacquer, Mother of Pearl • Collection #CFC636 W: 2.5" D: 1.0" H: 1.0"

Glimmering with iridescent mother-of-pearl inlay, this English papier-mâché snuff box dates to the late 19th century. Black lacquer envelopes the papier-mâché case to form a durable but alluring hard shell exterior. Irregular shards of mother-of-pearl on the box lid are outlined by scalloped silver wire inlay, with a mother-of-pearl oval embellishment in the center. The box catches the light beautifully and shimmers with opalescent hues of pink and turquoise. Potentially used as a snuff box or a pill box, the hinge glides open smoothly to reveal a prim, interior compartment. Continued...

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From the collection of Frances and Gary Comer.

Minor chip to rim has been darkened to match.