

Victorian large Whitby jet pendant

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Description

A large Victorian polished Whitby jet pendant mounted with a yellow gold and seed pearl spray of flowers with rolled gold chain, circa 1860.

Whitby jet is a unique, black gemstone formed from fossilised wood, predominantly found in Whitby, North Yorkshire, England. This gemstone, prized for its deep black colour and smooth texture, has been used in jewellery since the Victorian era, often associated with mourning pieces due to its sombre hue.

Whitby jet is lightweight yet durable, making it ideal for intricate carvings and polished finishes, and it holds a significant place in both historical and modern jewellery design.