

# An Interesting Spire Flagon Offered for Sale

the seller says -

## ANTIQUPE PEWTER FLAGON

A LOVELY HEAVY OLD PEWTER FLAGON WITH FLIP TOP LID AND ORIGINAL HINGES . THE HANDLE IS SCROLL DESIGN WITH DECORATIVE TRIMS TO TOP AND BASE . IT DATES AROUND THE MID 19TH CENTURY . IT IS IN GOOD CONDITION WITH NO OBVIOUS DENTS, JUST SOME SMALL WEAR CONSISTENT WITH AGE .TOTAL HEIGHT MEASURES 13"

A buyer might ask himself -

Is it right? By that of the age it suggests - 18th - early 19th century?









A reader writes to say -

*I like the shape but I worry about -*

*the patination is mottled as though created,  
the inside and under base look too clean,  
the lid has not patinated in accordance with the body (top show  
dusting?)  
no marks anywhere,*

*Could this be a reproduction piece and if so made when and where?*

*Are there good reasons to consider it genuine? (of real age)*

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Another and very knowledgeable collector says -

If a piece like this was left on a shelf for a very long time then the underneath and insides might well look very clean almost recent.

Pieces like this of the early 1800s are found without marks.

The Patina was not a concern to this collector.

So in this experienced view it is "right".

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Serious collectors do prefer traceable marks, the finial looks a bit clumsy, if of the early 1800s collectors prefer those of the 1700s.