



Pair of Red Deer Antlers on Oak Shield By W.A. Macleay & Son,
Inverness

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Height: 63.5 cm (25")

Width: 61 cm (24")

Depth: 46 cm (18.1")

Description

Pair of Red Deer Antlers On Oak shield, Skull Mount.

A pair of 8 point red deer antlers with skull cap, mounted onto a wooden plaque by W.A. Macleay & Son. The shield is made from oak with profile edges, stamped into the wood on the rear 'W.A. Macleay & Son, Inverness'. These stag antlers are an excellent wall display. Engraved on the plaque mounted on the shield 'Reay 1922 R.E.'.

W.A. Macleay & Son, Taxidermists, Fishing Tackle and radio Manufacturers, 43 Church Street, 20 - 21 Bank Street, Inverness. Patronised by Royalty, closed down around the time of the second world war.

The Red Deer (*Cervus elaphus*), or Red Stag, is one of the largest deer species that inhabits most of Europe, the Caucasus Mountains region, Asia Minor, Iran, parts of western Asia, and central Asia. It also inhabits the Atlas Mountains region between Morocco and Tunisia in north-western Africa. The red deer is the largest non-domesticated mammal still existing in the Netherlands, United Kingdom and Ireland. The Barbary stag (which resembles the western European red deer) is the only member of the deer family represented in Africa. Only the stags have antlers, which are made of bone and grow at a rate of 2 ½ cm (1inch) a day. The antlers start growing in the spring and are shed each year, usually at the end of winter.