



Cape Buffalo Head by Rowland Ward

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Sold



REF: 27220

Height: 94 cm (37")

Width: 104.5 cm (41.1")

Depth: 91.5 cm (36")

## Description

Big Game Taxidermy, Roland Ward Mounted Cape Buffalo Head.

This large impressive trophy head mount is of an African big game Cape Buffalo, also called African Buffalo. In recent years taxidermy has had a resurgence as a collectable and this cape buffalo (*Syncerus caffer caffer*), being a well prepared and fine specimen, would hang very well on any wall.

The buffalo is inset with glass eyes, posed facing forwards and the horns have excellent curvature and colour to them. The rear board has a white painted serial number '2482' with a metal Rowland Ward trade plaque 'Rowland Ward Ltd, London & Nairobi'. This is a great piece of taxidermy by one of the best taxidermists in the world, there is only one slight tear in the skin on the chin. There are also a few stitches that have come undone on the back of the neck.

The buffalo is a familiar sight to visitors of African parks and reserves, amongst big game hunters it is known as one of the big five. The big five are known for the difficulty and degree of danger involved for the big game hunters and the five are the lion, elephant, Cape buffalo, leopard and the rhinoceros.

The buffalo is a large African bovine and because of its unpredictable nature (making it very dangerous to humans) it has never been domesticated. It has few predators and a herd will cooperatively defend its members when chased making it difficult for predators to pick one off, if one is captured they will try to rescue it and even sometimes kill the lions.