



Taxidermy, African Gemsbock Horns On Wooden Shield  
Peter Spicer

£480



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Height: 106 cm (41.7")

Width: 65 cm (25.6")

Depth: 13 cm (5.1")

## Description

Pair Of Spicer Antelope Oryx Horns.

A great looking pair of Gemsbok (gemsbuck) Oryx horns and skull plate by British taxidermist, Peter Spicer. These horns are an excellent wall display and are mounted onto a shaped oak wooden shield. The long rapier horns in very nice condition. Spicer paper trade label to reverse of the shield 'Mounted By P. Spicer, Victoria Terrace, Leamington'.

The African Oryx, or Gemsbok (Oryx Gazella), is a large Antelope that is native to the Kalahari Desert. The Gemsbok or Oryx are easily identifiable by their long straight horns that average 34 inches in length and with their pale fur with contrasting dark markings in the face and on the legs. The Oryx are herbivores which lets them survive without water for long periods due to their diet of succulent roots and melons. The Gemsbok is swift-footed and dangerous and has been known to spear lions with their long horns.