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A SET OF SIX IMPOSING EARLY VICTORIAN CARVED PORTLAND STONE DRAGON GARGOYLES

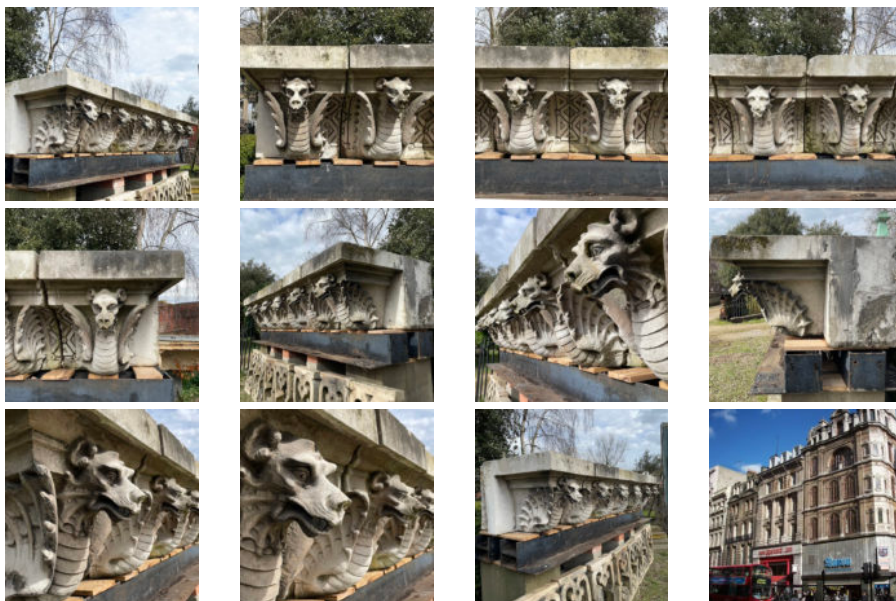
removed from Piccadilly, Westminster

each snarling winged beast projecting from a lattice-carved coved cornice, cantilevered on a cuboid masonry block,

DIMENSIONS: 61cm (24") High, 55cm (21^{3/4}") Wide, 99cm (39") Deep, each block (the termini blocks wider at 59 and 63cm wide)

PRICE: £30,000 +VAT the six (or £12,000+VAT per pair)

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HISTORY

These spectacular and rare architectural carvings from London's most famous street date to the 1840's. The features of the mythical beasts – their scaled serpentine necks and snarl are exaggerated in order they can be discerned from the street. The building, which was the fourth on your left walking from Piccadilly Circus westwards, was demolished in 2011 – the dragons were saved.



Piccadilly, Westminster

The building can be seen covered with “Japan Centre” branding in the above photo and the dragons can be seen tucked under the parapet. One of the two capitals heading the columns is also available at LASSCO (Search 46163)

The series is selling as a set of six. We will sell them in pairs as indicated but note that A and F must be paired together as the cornice moulding around them terminates L and R respectively.

These corbels could be reinstated as an architectural cornice as originally installed, or could form impressive garden ornaments.