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## **A WONDERFULLY MOVING MID 15TH CENTURY ENGLISH OAK SCULPTURE OF THE BUST OF CHRIST CROWNED WITH THORNS.**

Unusually, Christ, although crowned with thorns, is depicted not as the 'Man of Sorrows', but with a kindly, almost joyous facial expression. The high forehead, large eyes, forked beard and wavy hairstyle relate directly to 15th-century English Alabaster sculpture. Christ's downward gaze indicates that the sculpture was designed to be seen from below, possible when kneeling at an altar. Extensive traces of polychrome on the underside of the bust indicate that it was not cut down from a larger figure.



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15" HIGH X 14" WIDE.

STOCK NO 1634.

**SOLD**

**Dimensions:**

**Height: 15 inches (38.1 cms)**

**Width: 14 inches (35.6 cms)**

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