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A sand picture of a castle attributed to George Lewis Haas

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REF: 5261 Height: 24 cm (9.4") Width: 27.5 cm (10.8")

Description

Set in a landscape with trees and skilfully made from naturally coloured sands.

Probably German, late 19th century

Sand pictures have a long history in Britain; dating back to the 18th century when "table-deckers" would decorate dining tables with patterns of sand, glass, and other materials. In the 19th century, sand pictures evolved into professional art, as well as a hobby for ladies. German artist George Lewis Haas was known to produce sand pictures of landscapes (including some of Wales) that had some degree of relief to the surface.