

Waist bust of Lenin, cast in Bisque Porcelain by the Lomonosov Porcelain Factory (ЛФЗ / LFZ) in Leningrad, circa 1960s.

Measures 7" tall, plinth size 3 1/4" x 2 3/4", ideal for desktop or bookcase display. Undoubtedly one of the most iconic busts ever produced of Lenin, certainly the most famous ever done in fine porcelain. Classic image, wearing a thoughtful look and his trademark 3-piece suit. This porcelain bust is much less common than the metal ones. The bottom of the plinth shows the trademark of the Lomonosov Porcelain Factory (formerly Imperial Porcelain Factory) located in St. Petersburg (fig. # 489 in Volume One of Marks on Soviet Porcelain, Faience, and Majolica, 1917-1991 by Nasonova et al). This particular graphic was in use in the 1960s. The "B/C" mark in red is the QC stamp confirming top quality of the bust.

Excellent condition. There is a tiny hairline scuff mark on the forehead, two small contact points on the back in the shoulders area and two faint little smears to one of the corners of the plinth. All are very minor and not really detractive.

Those who have seen actual photographs of Lenin can appreciate the propagandistic requirement for artists to "noble-ize" his image. Those who have NOT seen his actual photos but are looking at this bust, can see a well-balanced calm shrewd thinker who is poised deep in thought, simultaneously planning a happy future for the workers and peasants of the world and sternly warning all their enemies of their inevitable defeat.

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