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**Late 18th century gold and vari-coloured hardstone mounted box by Johann-Christian Neuber (1736-1808), Dresden c.1790,**

the rectangular box with rounded corners, the cover, sides and base inlaid in striped lines with 48 numbered rectangular specimens of semi-translucent and opaque Saxon hardstones, including a variety of agates, cornelian, jasper and amethyst, cagework mounted within narrow bright cut gold bands, similarly decorated rims, engraved to the cover beside each stone with the specimen numbers 1 through 9, the sides numbered 10 though 39 and the base numbered 40 through 48

Length 9cm / 3½"

Width 5.7cm / 2¼"

Depth 1cm / 2½"

Weight: 155g