

SA1013298

Jules Leleu Art Deco Walnut Commode Attributed to Jules Leleu

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1013298****Date of manufacture: 1930**

Dimensions

Height = 82 cm (32.3")

Width = 99 cm (39.0")

Depth = 41 cm (16.1")

Description

Rare French Art Deco walnut commode firmly attributed to Jules Leleu (1883-1961). French, Paris circa 1930. Wonderfully constructed as one would expect, the moulded and in-stepped oblong top above four lozenge parquetry-veneered long drawers within curved front corners on a raised plinth with gilt bronze-banded feet. This piece relates very closely to a sideboard signed by Leleu which we were privileged to handle in the past. Both feature similar rectangular extending stiles that overshoot the bases of their respective carcasses and very similar base friezes and feet. In addition, a piece supplied by Leleu to the Galani family and sold at Sworders in 2021 has a very similar base. The use of parquetry as on the present example is typical of Leleu's style and the restrained and luxurious style of decoration that he typically preferred to employ. A restrained serpentine commode by Leleu is in the collection of the Musée des Arts Décoratifs in Paris and the present piece is also an exceptional example of the most fashionable taste of the period, combined with master craftsmanship. Jules Leleu Jules Leleu who was of the one key figures in the Art Deco movement. His family ...

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