

SA1022775

Superb Initialled and Dated Charles II Oak Press Court Cupboard - Dated 1685

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1022775****Date of manufacture: Before 1700**

Description

A very beautiful 17th Century oak court cupboard of excellent proportions, perfect for a cottage as it stands at only 58.75 inches high, and retains its original oak boards throughout and has an excellent colour and natural patination. . The cupboard is dated 1685 and carries the initials I. H. M along its cornice. The boldly carved date and initials set between particularly well carved daisies, ivy and foliage. . The press has been well cared throughout its 350 years of use and life and it is remarkable that it has survived in such superb condition. Like so many pieces of early oak, it gives clues about the past and the generations who have used and cared for it. An example of this is the mark from a candle lit probably 300 years ago which burned into the oak of the mid-shelf and the flames then licked the drop finial on the left of the cupboard and this has been reshaped to remove the burnt timber. . The cupboard doors have no handles and this has led to the top corners of the doors being used as handles so that over the centuries the oak here has become rounded and worn smooth with wonderful patination to the doors and the carved frieze above. . The upper case has thre...

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