

SA1041240

Superb Hungarian Ash Desk Attributed To Howard & Sons C. 1875

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1041240****Date of manufacture: 1870**

Description

Displaying all of the high quality detailing and exemplary cabinet work for which Howard & Sons was internationally recognised, this beautiful and finest quality desk was almost certainly made by Howard & Sons of Berners Street in around 1875. A London cabinet maker, alongside Gillows, Howard & Sons was amongst a handful of pre-eminent British cabinet makers which used Hungarian Ash in their work. The timber was expensive and considered so beautiful and rare that it was used in Gillows and Howard exhibition pieces, including pieces on display at the Great Exhibition of 1851 at Crystal Palace. These companies did not stamp all of their work and the desk does not appear to be stamped, but it may be. With Hobbs & Co., lock (again which feature on both Howard and Gillows cabinets). The desk has a breakfront outline with two fielded panel doors flanked by slender ring turned pillars with acanthus carved capitals. The ash has a dark vibrant swirling grain against a beautiful golden colour with shimmering ripples similar to satinwood or maple. The top border has been outlined in walnut and there are dark walnut inlays of Arts and Crafts form – a medieval French ...

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