

SA1069867

A rare pair of English beech and laminated beech ocean liner deck chairs

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1069867

Date of manufacture: 1920

Dimensions

Height = 87 cm (34.3")

Width = 57 cm (22.4")

Depth = 143 cm (56.3")

Description

With the original sectional cushions. By turns these chairs can be viewed as thoroughly modern and also nostalgic, they are British to the core but also International. The basic form is inevitably related to the traditional Edwardian 'Titanic' model, however the use plywood and their more relaxed geometry gives a lightness that has more in common with Marcel Breuer's post Bauhaus long chair for Isokon and Pernilla daybeds designed by Bruno Mathsson in the early 1940's, although their adherence to form and function is arguably more 'modern' than either. In 1925 Eileen Gray made reference to the influence of the form as well as romance associated with travel by sea naming one of her chairs 'Fauteuill Transatlantique', which interestingly uses similar sectional cushions. In terms of date, I am guessing 1920's, the construction was very similar to some WWI campaign seat furniture I sold last year. By the early 1950's the form had experienced a further, although not universal evolution, with P&O commissioning of Ernest Race to design the Neptune chair. Condition: The frames are structurally sound. There is surface weathering and some isolated historic areas of woodworm (one...

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