

SA1074923

A rare Scottish George IV
sabicu* library table in the
manner of William Trotter,
Edinburgh c.1820

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1074923

Date of manufacture: Regency

Dimensions

Height = 71.5 cm (28.1")

Width = 92 cm (36.2")

Depth = 70 cm (27.6")

Description

An unusual form, well executed using exotic timber, made for a specific, currently unknown commission. With drawers to each side, raised on carved scroll feet with counter-sunk brass castors. In good original, unrestored condition and structurally sound, the top has some typical superficial wear and a burn mark. * I haven't come across many examples of sabicu, however the timber used on the top of this table correlates with examples I have seen. It was interesting to read in Adam Bowett's wonderful book 'Woods in British Furniture -Making 1400-1900' that in the early 19th century account Laslett notes "the rich dark colour resembles and is sometimes mistaken for rosewood." an observation that could be applied to the carved pedestal and feet in this example. Another sabicu table almost certainly by Trotter, of a slightly earlier date and formerly in the collection of the late David Reid (of Whytock and Reid) was offered in The Scottish Sale, Bonhams Edinburgh, 16th April 2015, lot 495, two good images are available online. As ever, reliable transport throughout the UK can be easily arranged at cost price, we also ship Internationally from time to time. Please let me...

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