

SA1085938

Shapland and Petter Arts and Crafts Bench

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1085938****Date of manufacture: 1900**

Dimensions

Height = 112 cm (44.1")

Width = 112 cm (44.1")

Depth = 42 cm (16.5")

Description

A charming Arts and Crafts period Bench, or settle, by Shapland and Petter of Barnstaple. Of excellent construction in solid mahogany and decorated with chequer banding inlay and a central floral panel. There is a lift up seat providing access to a storage compartment. A similar example can be found in Daryl Bennetts book (see photos). Bearing registration number to the back. Cleaned and waxed in our workshops and now offered for sale in excellent original condition. Dimensions: Width 112cms Depth 42cms Height 112cms Seat height 45cms The Shapland and Petter factory was established by cabinetmaker Henry Shapland (1823 – 1909), following a trip to America in 1848. While there, he saw an ingenious new machine which he realised could be used for cabinetmaking. Upon his return to Barnstaple, he reproduced the machine from notes he'd made and set up business in a mill. He later met Henry Petter, an accountant, and together they achieved rapid success. In 1888 the mill burned down. Undeterred, they moved to larger premises. The same factory now produces high-quality joinery. Hand-tooled or machine-made? Antique cabinets that were both Furniture by Shapland and Petter, such...

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