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Antique Pair George III Polychrome Decorated Open Armchairs C1785 18th C

Price

GBP 2,550

| USD \$3,444 | EUR 2,982

Item Reference: SA1097108**Date of manufacture: 1750**

Dimensions

Height = 98 cm (38.6")

Width = 57 cm (22.4")

Depth = 53 cm (20.9")

Description

A superb pair of George III polychrome decorated open armchairs, attributed to Gillows, Circa 1785 in date. Each is superbly decorated with hand painted garlands, ribbon tied foliate trails, patera, bellflower pendants and demi-lune fan medallion. The chairs have shield shaped back with vertical medallion splats raised on square tapering front legs and splayed rear legs. They are beautifully upholstered in a cream floral patterned and buttoned fabric. Footnotes: A virtually identical mahogany open armchair, albeit one with carved rather than polychrome detailing to its frames, is illustrated in S. Stuart, Gillows of Lancaster and London, 1730-1840, Vol. I, 2008, Woodbridge, pl. 124, p. 165. A closely comparable design appears alongside, with the description: 'The five-splat chair with a 'camel back stay rail' made for Mrs Chadwick in December 1785'. This Gillows model was then published in the renowned cabinet maker's Estimate Sketch Books in January of the following year, Ibid, pl. 123, p. 165. A slightly more simplified version of this design, dated circa 1785, which is also directly related to the offered and aforementioned chairs is in Gillow Furniture Designs,...

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