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An Exceptional William and Mary 10 Inch Marquetry Longcase Clock by James Clowes, c. 1680

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1101759****Date of manufacture: 16th Century**

Description

This longcase clock has a marquetry walnut-veneered oak case with rising hood, flanked by ebonised barley twist columns with gilt wooden bases and capitals, ebonised mouldings and a blind fret, typical of the period. There are viewing windows to the sides. The trunk door has ebonised D-mouldings and fine panel marquetry, depicting floral, leaf and vine motifs and a bird in the middle. The oval lenticle is set in an ebonised surround. The case rests on bun feet. The 10-inch dial has a matted centre around which there is a silvered chapter ring with Roman hour, half hour, quarter-hour, Arabic five-minute and minute divisions in a narrow track. The corners are embellished by winged cherub-head spandrels. Below the XII is a seconds ring with Arabic divisions, whilst above the VI there is a date aperture. The time is indicated by a fine pair of pierced blued steel period hands. The dial is signed by the maker along the bottom edge of the dial in the following manner: James Clowes Londin Fecit. The eight-day weight-driven movement has going and striking trains. The going train has an anchor escapement with seconds pendulum (there are remnants of gilding on the bob). The striki...

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