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Japanese Meiji Period Carved Desk Circa 1900

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1105398****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Description

A Japanese Meiji period writing desk dating from the late 19th century, exquisitely hand-carved, lacquered hardwood. An enchanting array of intricate carvings, including high-relief depictions of dragons, floral motifs, and animals, adorns the surface of this desk, each element reflecting the cultural richness of Meiji-era Japan. Two upper cabinets, embellished with deeply carved dragon motifs, anchor the piece, symbolising protection and strength. Between them, open shelving rests beneath a carved foliate crest, adding both functionality and sculptural elegance. The lower section is adorned with high-relief carvings of natural elements: branches laden with fruit, delicate leaves, and animal figures that infuse the desk's structure with a sense of life. Each drawer front features finely carved embellishments of fruit and foliage, while the drawer pulls integrate seamlessly into the organic design, maintaining a natural flow. Elegant cabriole legs showcase the artisan's attention to lifelike detail, with one leg featuring the carved figure of a monkey climbing upwards, evoking a sense of movement and playful charm. Such naturalistic detail is characteristic of the Meiji ...

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