

SA1114691

Small 18th Century Miniature Mahogany Chest

Price

GBP 2,750

| USD \$3,713 | EUR 3,220

Item Reference: SA1114691

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Description

An Extremely Attractive And Particularly Charming Mid 18th Century, Georgian Mahogany Miniature Chest, Retaining Exceptional Untouched Colour And Patina Throughout, Having Two Short And Three Long Drawers, Retaining Original Brass Ring Handles, Raised On Original Shaped Bracket Feet. Although there has always been a large amount of discussion and conjecture as to the original purpose of antique miniature furniture it will be almost impossible for a definitive answer to be given for by far the majority of surviving pieces. The two well known and accepted purposes were either as an apprentice piece, meaning that the item may well have been made by a hopeful young man looking to secure himself a job at the local cabinet making workshop and using the piece as an audition for entry, or alternatively as a travelling salesmans sample piece where scale models of the full size items which a workshop could produce were created, allowing the salesman to take them away and use them for taking orders. We believe that this wonderful little antique miniature chest is almost certainly a salesmans sample piece due to its overall quality and charm, alongside the use of high end mahogany...

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