

SA1164091

A 19th century maritime painted pine chest

Price

GBP 380

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Item Reference: SA1164091

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 18 cm (7.1")

Width = 75 cm (29.5")

Depth = 49 cm (19.3")

Description

A 19th century maritime painted pine chest. In original black paint with hand-painted serif lettering to the front reading "Chest, Spare Gear. Mk XI. Sinkers." Dovetailed carcass, iron swing handles to the sides, and a fitted interior division. Such chests were used in naval dockyards in the mid-late 19th century, clearly marked by the dockyard sign writer for ready identification in the storerooms and aboard ship. The inscription "Mk XI Sinkers" almost certainly refers to naval ordnance fittings – either the sinker weights used to moor buoys and nets, or the developing field of early naval "torpedo" mines. The lack of an admiralty mark points to a pre 1875 date. The ordnance chest retains an excellent surface with age and service wear, and survives in original condition. Measurements: 75 cm across, 49 cm wide, 18 cm tall. British, c.1850-1870

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