

SA1178826

Exceptional Large Early 18th Century Quality Antique Oak Dresser Base / Sideboard

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1178826****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 76.5 cm (30.1")

Width = 215 cm (84.6")

Depth = 49 cm (19.3")

Description

A highly unusual and exceptionally long early 18th-century oak dresser base remarkable for both its scale and configuration. It is elevated with fine decorative details including cross-banding and arched fielded panelled sides. Pieces of this period—circa 1720—were rarely constructed at this length making this an outstanding and scarce example suitable for a country house or substantial interior. This dresser base is crafted from solid oak with a rich, deep patina developed over more than three centuries. Its unusual layout is a key feature: instead of the more commonly seen three-drawer formation with a potboard or central cupboard, this piece incorporates a long bank of nine graduated drawers flanked by twin fielded-panel cupboards providing both symmetry and striking visual impact. The extended top, formed from wide early planks, is another rare survival and adds to its authenticity. Another notable and uncommon detail is the set of arched, fielded panelled sides which elevate the piece beyond the standard vernacular forms of the early 18th century. These shaped side panels indicate a higher level of craftsmanship and suggest the dresser was originally commissioned f...

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