

SA1183364

Wonderful 17th Century Oak Chest Made with Love c. 1660

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1183364****Date of manufacture: Before 1700**

Description

With a fabulous colour, this wonderful and very small oak chest with original iron lock plate. All the original timbers are retained here including the original twin boarded top with channel carved and thumb moulded border and the original oak boards to the base which are nailed up with iron hand forged nails. The front of the chest has scratch carved geometric decoration above three bands of deep confident carving, the lowest band has running S scrolls centred by flowers and the upper two band are foliate arcades of running strapwork each centred by a small heart. The box corners flanking the front panel are deeply notched. Below the iron hasp are the engraved initials M A above a beautifully carved and etched heart. . Below the lid on either side are oak brackets which act as hinges and allow the lid to rise smoothly on oak pintel hinges. These appear to be early late 17th or early 18th century additions. The chest is boarded with thickly cut wainscot oak. No worm or significant repairs, lots of wear and nibbles to the edges of the bottom board but no significant damage, knocks or marks and the chest is heavy, solid and completely usable. A really beaut...

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