

SA1187334

Antique Victorian Oak Arts and Crafts Metamorphic Library Chair / Steps c.1895

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1187334****Date of manufacture: Victorian**

Dimensions

Height = 91 cm (35.8")

Width = 37.5 cm (14.8")

Depth = 51 cm (20.1")

Description

A late Victorian oak metamorphic library chair of rare and unusual design, both stylistically and in its metamorphic mechanism rooted in the Arts & Crafts movement. The back is formed with a gently arched crest and shaped splat between tapering uprights, above a seat raised on boldly cut, forward-swept front legs that give the chair a strong architectural profile. The seat lifts on an integrated action to convert the chair into a stable set of steps. Originally intended for use in a domestic library or study, the piece provides both seating and practical access to high shelving through an integrated and well-considered design. Its scale makes it well suited to a book-lined study or living space where occasional access to height is required. Presented in very good antique condition with a warm, even patina and minor surface wear. The mechanism operates correctly and the structure is sound, clean and ready to place in the home. English, circa 1895. Chair - H: 91 W: 37.5 D: 51 cm Steps - H: 85.5 W: 37.5 D: 73 cm

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