

SA1194700

Antique 17th Century English Burr Walnut Longcase Clock by Edin Burgis of London

Price

GBP 9,500

| USD \$12,863 | EUR 11,116

Item Reference: SA1194700

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 219 cm (86.2")

Width = 47 cm (18.5")

Depth = 22.5 cm (8.9")

Description

A fine and imposing English longcase clock housing an early 8-day brass movement signed by Edin Burgis, London. The square brass dial is richly detailed with a silvered chapter ring engraved with Roman numerals and minute markers enclosing a finely matted centre. The upper section is fitted with a subsidiary seconds dial, while the lower centre incorporates a calendar aperture, a feature associated with higher-quality London work of the late 17th century. The dial is further enhanced by a set of applied gilt cherub spandrels, finely cast and chased each depicting winged cherub heads framed by scrolling foliate ornament. These early spandrels are characteristic of the late 17th century, preceding the heavier Rococo forms of the mid-18th century, and add both depth and richness to the dial. The hands are of elegant pierced form and retain a pleasing aged surface, complementing the overall patina of the dial. The movement is of good quality London manufacture, striking the hours and running for eight days between windings. The layout, engraving style, and dial furniture firmly place the movement in the late 17th to very early 18th century, a formative period in English lo...

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