

SA1203555

A particularly good
Darvel/Irvine Valley armchair,
third quarter 19th century
attributed to Duncan McKellar
of Fenwick, Ayrshire

Price

GBP 1,450

| USD \$1,962 | EUR 1,697

Item Reference: SA1203555

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 113.5 cm (44.7")

Width = 59.5 cm (23.4")

Depth = 47.5 cm (18.7")

Description

With oak hoop arms and American birch slab seat. For a closely related, stamped example see Stephen Jackson 'Scottish Furniture-1500-1914' published by National Museums of Scotland, 2024 p198-199, Fig 6.37 The chair is a little more shallow in the seat and the back a little less raked than some Darvel and Newmilns chairs and the simple turned legs have more in common with 18th century examples of the type. For the sitter the chair is comfortable and supportive. Tight, structurally solid frame, good colour, one section of stretcher has been a chewed by a dog a few decades ago! see image. We currently hold another rare Darvel chairs rocking chair in stock. Further reading: David Jones: Darvel Chairs, Regional Furniture Journal 1995 Bernard D. Cotton: Scottish Vernacular Furniture, T & H 2008 Stephen Hunter:Darvel Chair Update, Regional Furniture Journal 2001 Sebastain Pryke: 'The Marvels of Darvel' At the Sign of the Pelican, Blog April 2020

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