

SA1211945

Imposing 17th Century Portuguese Colonial Mahogany and Brass Chest

Price

GBP 7,850

| USD \$10,602 | EUR 9,181

Item Reference: SA1211945

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 105 cm (41.3")

Width = 204 cm (80.3")

Depth = 75 cm (29.5")

Description

An imposing 17th Century mahogany Portuguese colonial trunk / chest, of grand proportions, decorated with pierced brass panels. Probably Brazil, circa 1670. This rare chest is of Iberian design, that first emerged in the 16th century with its distinctive lozenge panelling. The large hinged mahogany top having a jacaranda timber moulded edge, secured by a wonderful large central iron lock, retaining its original hand forged key, opening to reveal a large storage compartment. Below are three bolecion-moulded panels applied with decorative pierced and scrolling brass panels, the central acting as an escutcheon, with the conforming sides having carrying handles. In two sections, the top sits over a base raised on compressed bun feet, housing two fielded panelled apron drawers, with central brass escutcheons and conforming faux sides. In wonderful original condition with good colour and patina having been wax polished, the bottom two drawers lacking locks. An extremely impressive chest / trunk with the brass lozenge designed panels giving it a very decorative feel, which will work well in todays interiors as a statement piece. It is very possible this originated from...

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