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**18th Century
Chippendale-Period Sycamore
Rococo Small Fretwork Mirror
with Gilt Slip, Circa 1760–1780
(Georgian, George III)**

Price

GBP 350

| USD \$474 | EUR 410

Item Reference: SA1214484**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 68.5 cm (27.0")

Width = 37.5 cm (14.8")

Depth = 4 cm (1.6")

Description

18th Century Chippendale-Period Rococo Mirror, Veneered in Sycamore (or Other Pale Fruitwood), Circa 1760–1780 A fine mid-18th century Chippendale-period wall mirror, veneered throughout in sycamore (or another closely related pale fruitwood). The timber displays the characteristic fine, closed grain and warm honeyed oxidation associated with long-settled 18th-century sycamore. The elegant rococo outline follows designs published in Thomas Chippendale's *The Gentleman and Cabinet-Maker's Director* (1750s–60s), with pierced cresting centred by a circular cartouche, flanking scrolls, and a shaped apron. The proportions and construction compare closely with provincial examples illustrated by Christopher Gilbert in *The Life and Work of Thomas Chippendale* (1978), particularly those showing similar veneered surrounds and gilt slips. The original 18th-century mercury-backed mirror plate is retained, showing gentle waviness and light, attractive speckling. The gilt inner slip is formed over gesso and bole, with naturally worn high points. The veneers show small historic repairs, age-related shrinkage, and surface undulations typical of period construction in thin maple or sycamo...

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