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18TH CENTURY MALTESE WALNUT

Price

GBP 12,800

| USD \$17,452 | EUR 14,936

Item Reference: SA1218275

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 93.5 cm (36.8")

Width = 132 cm (52.0")

Depth = 68 cm (26.8")

Description

Very Fine Early 18th-Century Maltese Indigenous Specimen Wood Marquetry Inlaid Walnut Cabinet Cupboard
A rare and exceptionally fine example of early 18th-century Maltese craftsmanship, this cabinet cupboard showcases the very best of indigenous specimen wood marquetry and refined cabinet making. The brass moulded rectangular top is richly inlaid with indigenous specimen woods, arranged in an intricate design of triangles and diamonds forming an overall star motif. The woods include ebony, walnut, yew, boxwood, elm, and other rare timbers, creating a striking contrast of colour and grain. Below, two lockable cupboard doors open to reveal two interior shelves, offering practical storage within a highly decorative piece. The moulded doors are entirely veneered in marquetry, with abstract, geometric and parquetry style patterns in kingwood, olive wood, and other fine exotic timbers. The same sophisticated geometric motifs are repeated on the shaped sides, all with inlay marquetry and crossbanding, lending the piece a strong architectural presence. The cabinet stands on its original reeded bun feet and retains its original working locks and keys, further enhancing its auth...

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