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Antique Georgian Mahogany Tambour Top Cylinder Desk with Pull-Out Writing Slides

Price

GBP 2,685

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Date of manufacture: 1800

Dimensions

Height = 97 cm (38.2")

Width = 85.5 cm (33.7")

Depth = 55 cm (21.7")

Description

A superb antique Georgian mahogany cylinder desk of elegant proportions, standing on finely tapered square legs terminating in the original brass cup castors. The beautifully figured mahogany tambour front slides smoothly upwards to reveal a wonderfully fitted interior comprising pigeonholes, drawers and compartments above a generous leather-lined writing surface. A particularly desirable feature of this desk is the pair of original pull-out writing slides concealed beneath the tambour section. These provide additional workspace when required and were traditionally used to support correspondence, ledgers, writing accessories or candles whilst working. Such features significantly enhance both the practicality and desirability of the piece. The well-organised interior was designed to keep important documents and correspondence neatly arranged whilst allowing the desk to be quickly closed and secured behind the tambour front. Below are two full-width drawers retaining their original brass swan neck handles and escutcheons, offering useful additional storage. Cylinder desks became highly fashionable during the Georgian period, providing a sophisticated and secure writing stat...

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