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**Antique Chinese Elm
Apothecary Chest of 80
Drawers – Shanxi Province,
Late 19th / Early 20th Century
– Chinese Medicine Cabinet**

Price

GBP 3,200

| USD \$4,363 | EUR 3,734

Item Reference: SA1221860

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Description

An exceptional and authentic late 19th to early 20th century Chinese apothecary chest from Shanxi Province, North China, crafted from solid elm with a beautifully aged, rich patina developed over generations of use. Originally used by a traditional Chinese herbalist to store medicinal herbs and remedies, this impressive cabinet features 80 small drawers, each retaining its original handwritten Chinese labels and iron ring pulls, together with three full-width storage drawers across the base. The chest displays superb craftsmanship with its robust mortise and tenon construction and is wonderfully heavy, reflecting the quality of the timber. Today, this striking piece makes a superb statement cabinet for a home, retail space, interior designer, or collector of Asian antiques. It also offers practical storage while retaining its historical character. Dimensions: Height: 145 cm Width: 118 cm Depth: 49 cm Condition: Very good antique condition with age-related wear, historic marks, and a deep, rich patina consistent with age and use, enhancing its authenticity and appeal.

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