

SA1222633

Superb quality rare pair of late
18th century French Directoire
style walnut open armchairs

Price

GBP 3,850

| USD \$5,210 | EUR 4,505

Item Reference: SA1222633

Date of manufacture: 1800

Dimensions

Height = 89 cm (35.0")

Width = 54 cm (21.3")

Depth = 61 cm (24.0")

Description

A rare and superb quality pair of late 18thc (circa 1800) French Directoire style walnut open armchairs in the style of designs by Georges Jacob/Jacob Freres. This pair of armchairs consist of a shaped back with turned rail to the top with carved scrolls to either side leading down to a panel with carved decoration and turned spindles below forming an elegant arcaded back. The shaped and moulded arms with carved fleur-de-lis to the top supported by turned arm supports with brown leather seats (not original). This leads down to a moulded bow shaped front seat rail with carved paterea to the top of turned and tapered front legs with outswept legs to the back. The Directoire style 1789-1804 marked the transition between Louis XVI style and the Empire style, the Directoire style consisting of designs of elegance, simplicity and purity. Georges Jacobs (1739-1814) was a Parisian furniture maker specialising in the making of chairs, in 1796 he founded a new furniture workshop called 'Jacob Freres' with his two sons. Reference: similar examples to this design can be found in the books 'Le Style DIRECTOIRE' by Guillaume Janneau and 'Symbols of Power Napoleon and the Art of t...

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