

SA1223865

Mid 17th century carved oak
press cupboard in original,
untouched condition with
superb original patina

Price

GBP 2,950

| USD \$4,022 | EUR 3,442

Item Reference: SA1223865

Date of manufacture: 17th Century

Dimensions

Height = 164 cm (64.6")

Width = 143.5 cm (56.5")

Depth = 52.5 cm (20.7")

Description

A wonderful example of a mid 17th century (circa 1660) carved oak press cupboard in original, untouched condition with superb original patina (colour). In the 17th century the press cupboard (or court cupboard) was considered one of the most prestigious pieces of furniture in an ordinary house, probably only second to the tester bed. They would normally be given pride of place in the hall or parlour and were also often used as room dividers. The presence of carved initials and dates would often be found on important pieces of furniture of this period, the initials normally referring to the owner of the piece rather than the maker. This press cupboard consists of a frieze with carved lunette decoration and carved drop finials, on one corner the initials 'AH', these probably being the initials of a previous owner. The top section consisting of a superbly carved central panel of 'the tree of life' design with further carved floral and foliate decoration both above and to the side. The central panel is flanked by a cupboard to either side, the doors with superb carved floral decoration. This leads down to the lower section consisting of lunette carved decoration to th...

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