

**SA1230107**

## 18th Century George II Period Carved Gesso and Giltwood Mirror Of Excellent Proportions

Price

**GBP 13,800**

| USD \$18,678 | EUR 16,134

**Item Reference: SA1230107**

**Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 141 cm (55.5")

Width = 83 cm (32.7")

Depth = 13 cm (5.1")

## Description

A fine 18th Century George II Period Giltwood mirror with swan neck pediment and central cartouche retaining its original vauxhall soft bevelled mirror plate. English, c.1730 This wonderful giltwood mirror was made around the time of King George II's accession to the throne and represents a particular form of Palladianism that was popular with the connoisseurs of this period. Gilded throughout, the piece has a beautifully carved broken scroll pediment, the centre filled with a cartouche with additional shell form relief decoration. The ends of the scrolls terminate in floral motifs, leaf form carving spilling from the centre of the flowers. Behind these carved elements are scrolling features rising up from the frieze, forming waves which are reminiscent of the Vitruvian scroll motif that was also very popular at this time. The frieze section is very narrow and ornamented with raised mouldings with further formalised leaf carving on them and with cut gesso strapwork decoration which runs around the edge of the plate. This strapwork, though at its roots inspired by the French baroque ornamentists such as Jean Berain, is in a very different taste. It features diamond-for...

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