

SA1230793

Early Large 19th-Century Giltwood Pier Mirror, c.1820

Price

GBP 4,350

| USD \$5,931 | EUR 5,076

Item Reference: SA1230793

Date of manufacture: Georgian

Dimensions

Height = 250 cm (98.4")

Width = 160 cm (63.0")

Depth = 7 cm (2.8")

Description

Early 19th-Century Giltwood Pier Mirror, c.1820 A particularly elegant and impressively scaled early 19th-century giltwood pier mirror, circa 1820, retaining its original silvered mirror plate and panelled back. The tall architectural form is beautifully restrained, with a softly rounded upper section enclosed by a slender giltwood frame. The frame is finely carved and moulded throughout with a continuous sequence of floral rosettes, fruiting and foliate ornament, giving the mirror richness and definition without overwhelming its elegant proportions. Of particular note is the survival of the original mercury-silvered mirror glass, displaying the subtle variation, light foxing and gentle atmospheric character associated with early 19th-century plates. The reverse retains its substantial original panelled timber backing, an increasingly desirable feature on mirrors of this age and scale. The gilding has acquired a wonderfully warm, mellow surface with the natural variation and wear expected of a piece approaching two centuries old. The narrow frame and exceptionally generous mirror plate give the piece a remarkably contemporary quality, despite its Regency-period origin...

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