

SA1231384

A rare early English 18th century bachelor's writing chest of drawers

Price

GBP 4,800

| USD \$6,544 | EUR 5,601

Item Reference: SA1231384

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 81 cm (31.9")

Width = 81 cm (31.9")

Depth = 45 cm (17.7")

Description

An extremely rare and highly sophisticated early George II small Bachelor's chest of drawers, boasting an exceptionally unusual, multi-functional design for its period. The chest is expertly veneered in premium fiddle-back padauk, a highly prized and exotic timber celebrated for its tight, undulating figure and a wonderful satin-like lustre. The timber's exceptional grain is beautifully enhanced by a rich, warm historical colour and an outstanding original patination. Ingeniously engineered for dual-purpose utility, the front of the chest features three graduated, oak-lined drawers beneath a false top drawer. Directly above this false drawer front is a pull-out writing slide inset with a finely tooled leather writing surface. To maximise utility and create an expansive, seamless workspace, a cleverly concealed drawer pulls out from each side of the chest's carcass. The right-hand side drawer is historically fitted with compartments for pens and an inkwell bottle. The chest retains its original brass bail handles, decorative escutcheons, and internal locks, and stands elegantly upon its original shaped bracket feet. It represents a rare opportunity for discerning collect...

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