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Important Italian Baroque Commode Attributed Grand Ducal Workshops, c.1690-1720

Price

GBP 125,000

| USD \$170,425 | EUR 145,863

Item Reference: SA1232912**Date of manufacture: 1700**

Dimensions

Height = 105 cm (41.3")

Width = 157 cm (61.8")

Depth = 71 cm (28.0")

Description

An important North Italian Tuscan Baroque commode, manufactured in Florence circa 1690-1720 and attributed to the Grand Ducal Workshops of the Medici court. Representing the highest level of Florentine cabinetmaking of the period, it is inlaid throughout with exceptionally fine ivory and pewter in the Venetian manner, fitted with finely cast ormolu handles based on designs by Giovanni Battista Foggini, and retains an original partially faded circular "LC" stamp to the underside. Made for the wealthiest aristocratic and noble patrons by leading cabinetmakers and specialist craftsmen, the commode survives as an exceptional example of Florentine Baroque furniture. On the basis of its quality, rarity, construction, decoration and the comparative evidence identified during our research, we consider it among the most significant North Italian commodes of this period to appear on the market in recent years. Of breakfront form with projecting canted corners, the rounded overhanging top is constructed in walnut with exceptional areas of richly figured burr walnut, framed by rosewood crossbanding, and centred with floral marquetry enclosed by inlaid borders. The same rosewood c...

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