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Magnificent Antique English Walnut & Brass Ship's Strong Box c.1860 - Secret Drawers

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA192074****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Description

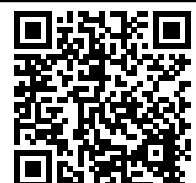
A really fabulous early Victorian Captain's / Ship's strong box made from solid Walnut, it's a huge, hefty piece which will certainly make a statement, and a very useful piece today. Dating to around 1850, this solid piece is smothered in heavy cast brass which has been professionally re-polished to gleam. There are highly decorative handles each side. The box comes with its two very grand original keys, one to open the trunk and one for the two interior compartments. The large key opens the box and the lid can be lifted with the brass knob at the front. The polished brass escutcheons and hinges on the interior are beautifully engraved. While the lock is unlocked .. the tip of the key keeps the central tray in place and locked in ... the secret to remove the tray is to lock the box while the lid is open, allowing you to remove the key and releasing the central tray. Once the tray is removed, two secret drawers, one each side can be accessed. On both the right and left edge of the box (adjacent to the escutcheons) are holes .. this would have been for large bolts to be placed right down the sides and bolted to the Captain's cabin deck. A fabulous piece in excellent c...

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