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French Gothic Green Man Carved Oak Game Cupboard Bookcase

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA193666****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Description

French Gothic Green Man Carved Oak Game Cupboard Bookcase French Gothic Green Man Carved Oak Cupboard Here we have a superb piece of intricately Carved Early French Gothic Oak Furniture most of which dates from the 18th Century with even older inset side panels The Cupboard seems to have originated as a Food or Game Cupboard as it has mesh vents set into the sides of the top part presumably to allow air to the food kept inside. There are 2 very old 16th Century carved oak panels covering the vents, these open and close and permit the air flow. I expect that these were added at a later date when the Dresser was converted into a bookcase The upper section of the Cupboard has two glazed doors enclosing three adjustable book shelves The Top of the piece has a large and elaborately carved cornice and there is a great amount of carving on the front and sides. The Green man faces have alternate expressions of sad and happy as do the mythical faces on the 16th Century panels, a great deal of thought has gone into the representation of the carvings The Bookcase has been sympathetically restored retaining all the aged features of the old wood it is in sound condition apart fro...

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