

SA242723

EARLY ROBERT THOMPSON 'MOUSEMAN' CHAIR

Price

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Description

A HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER EARLY 'MOUSEMAN' SIDE CHAIR MADE BY ROBERT THOMPSON OF KILBURN, NORTH YORKSHIRE. CHAMFERED FRONT LEGS WITH TRADEMARK MOUSE TO THE FRONT LEFT LEG AND CROSS UNDERSTITCHERS. SHAPED BACK WITH CENTRE SPLATS. PEG JOINTED. LEATHER SEAT. MEASURES 18" X 15" SEAT X 35" HIGH TO THE BACK. *MOUSEMAN PIECES ARE HIGHLY SOUGHT AFTER. ROBERT THOMPSON (1876-1955) LIVED IN KILBURN NORTH YORKSHIRE MAKING OAK FURNITURE, WHICH EVERY PIECE FEATURED A CARVED MOUSE ON. THE MOUSE CAME ABOUT ACCIDENTLY IN 1919 WHEN A CONVERSATION BETWEEN HIMSELF AND COLLEAGUES 'BEING AS POOR AS A CHURCH MOUSE'. THIS REMARK LED HIM TO CARVING A MOUSE AND THIS REMAINED PART OF HIS WORK FROM THIS POINT ONWARDS. THERE IS A WORKSHOP AND VISITOR CENTRE AT KILBURN.

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