

SA262031

Pair of walnut and beech chairs
c.1710 and later.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA262031

Date of manufacture: 1700

Description

A beautiful pair of chairs of the Queen Anne period c.1710; tall and elegant they have the angled front legs the advent of which was the 1690s, and was an important new stage in English chair design. The fashionable life of the 'corner horsebone' leg was from the 1690s to about 1715. This style of cane backed and seated chairs had represented a revolution in seating comfort, but with the disadvantage of fragility. A surprising number of these chairs still exist (they were made in their thousands) but many are now suitable only for decorative purposes as woodworm, frequent recaning and damage to the joints and the tall backs have rendered them virtually unusable. This pair have been extensively and skilfully restored to be once more usable seating. All old woodworm is no longer active and the seats and the part of the back which supports the cane have been replaced. Although perhaps no longer of interest to the purist collector these elegant 300 year old chairs, with their glorious sculptural quality, are now not just a joy to look at but also to use. DIMENSIONS: 52 inches tall, 17.75 inches wide, seat height 18.5 inches. PROVENANCE: Northamptonshire Private Collection.

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