

SA57746

17th Century Oak & Marquetry Coffer c.1660

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA57746****Date of manufacture: Before 1700**

Description

A very beautiful early oak coffer with three original fielded and arched marquetry panels inlaid with harewood, ebony, sycamore and holly of flower, vines and interlaced ribbons. The borders and stiles carved with lunettes, foliage and strapwork - some of the blind foliage some carving later and part of the chest's natural history. Triple planked original oak top with superb colour and natural patination rising on hand hewn iron strap hinges. Strong and clean interior offering a large amount of storage space. Peg jointed throughout and extremely solidly made and heavy. The beautiful 16th century inlays to the panels are rare and seldom found in such superb original condition. In excellent condition for age with wonderful rich colour and deep natural sheen from around 350 years of care, wax and use. An 18th century iron strap repair at the back of one back leg which is not visible unless viewed from the back. There is a chip across the left hand front corner of the top which is old and worn smooth with years. Some evidence of old worm but dead and treated as is normal for oak of this age and not significant. The oak having developed a rock hard quality. The...

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