

SA597433

Rare walnut longcase clock by Charles Gretton of London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA597433****Date of manufacture: Before 1700**

Dimensions

Height = 212 cm (83.5")

Description

fine 17th century walnut longcase clock by this eminent maker, made during the 'Golden Age' period of Clockmaking. The 8 day duration movement with five latched finned pillars, recoil anchor escapement and the hourly strike is enabled via an inside countwheel striking mechanism. Both the latched pillars and countwheel striking were features of this period of Clockmaking and were used by only the finest makers. The 11" square brass dial features a silvered brass chapter ring and seconds ring. The matted centre has ringed winding holes and a matching ringed date aperture. The date aperture surrounded with circular designs. Also with typically used spandrels of the period and engraved tulips to the main dial plate in between each spandrel. Signed Charles Gretton, London on the chapter ring. The veneered walnut case is of exceptional quality with herringbone inlay to the front and sides and with bookmatched walnut veneer to both the trunk and base. Also featuring extensive crossbanded veneers and mouldings throughout the cabinetwork. This style was extensively used on all forms of furniture at this stage of the 17th century. The flat top hood is framed with brass D...

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