

SA639770

Early 20thC Lines of London Rocking Horse

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA639770****Date of manufacture: 1920**

Dimensions

Height = 96 cm (37.8")

Width = 114 cm (44.9")

Depth = 38 cm (15.0")

Description

Early 20thC Lines of London Rocking Horse 45"w x 15"d x 38"h (33" to the top of the saddle) - LINES ROCKING HORSES One particular stable that is well documented for Rocking Horses is that of G & J Lines (1850-1931), a family firm established in the middle of the nineteenth century. In 1876 Joseph, aged 28, with outside experience in the toy trade joined his brother George who was already making wooden rocking horses. In the same year they established premises at 457 Calendonian Road (in the Steam Works Factory). As the business continued to grow, other factories were taken over or rented and in the late nineteenth century the premises of G & J Lines were claimed to be the large toy factory in Britain. Many of their horses carried their trademark: a thin metal disc stamped with a thistle. Their horses were sold by Gamages, Hamleys and Selfridges. One of the brothers, Joseph retired in 1900 and his place was taken by his nephew with the same name Joseph, the eldest son of the other brother George. The nephew Joseph, together with his two brothers, set up a second enterprise after the end of the First World War, Lines Brothers (1919-1972): their horses are marked Tri...

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