

SA673029

Regency Period Mahogany Gentleman's Press attributed to Gillows of Lancaster

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA673029****Date of manufacture: 1800**

Dimensions

Height = 223.5 cm (88.0")

Width = 125 cm (49.2")

Depth = 56 cm (22.0")

Description

A very good Regency Period Mahogany Gentleman's Press attributed to Gillows of Lancaster, the arched, Tuscan inlaid pediment with a nulled band above two flame figured panelled doors enclosing sliding trays, the base with two half width and two full width drawers, the whole raised on turned tulip shape feet. Ca.1815 H: 88", 223.5cms, W: 50", 125 cms, D: 22", 56 cms Attribution: See "Masterful Marquetry and Majestic Mahogany" by David Harvey, chapter six, pp24 to 29 for an example of this model with the arched Tuscan pediment signed Thomas Atkinson who worked for Gillows during the late 18th and early 19th. centuries and dated May 1st. 1811. Although the piece by Atkinson was fitted with a secretaire drawer, the similarities are striking. Both retain the original blue lining paper and are executed in the finest of timbers. The quality of the dovetailing is comparable in both though the most remarkable similarity is of course the "Tuscan" Cornice which appears on several pieces by Gillows of Lancaster. The design for the signed piece is in the Gillows Estimate Sketch Book 1803-1815, folio 1863, dated 16 May 1809. Made for B. Smith Esq. of Rochdale it is described as '...
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