

SA716932

Child's Orkney Chair c.1910.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA716932****Date of manufacture: 1910**

Dimensions

Height = 76 cm (29.9")

Width = 51 cm (20.1")

Depth = 43 cm (16.9")

Description

Delightful little example of the classic straw back Orkney armchair c.1910. Shaped oat straw backrest and pine frame (stained green on the underside) jointed together with large round headed screws. Simple carved detail to the arms, a board seat and tapering legs. Presented as found, with some woodworm damage (most obvious to the feet) and missing the top two rows of straw from the backrest, otherwise good original condition. Dimensions: width 20", depth 17", height 30". The Orkney chair with its distinctive straw back became an icon of the Arts and Crafts movement. A vernacular form forced on the islanders by a lack of useable timber. Produced on a commercial scale from 1870 in the workshop of David Kirkness in Kirkwall, they were retailed by Liberty & Co. and were to be found in the homes of Charles Rennie Mackintosh and Edward VII.

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