

SA790643

Late Eighteenth Century Library Telescope by Dollond of London

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA790643

Date of manufacture: 1800

Dimensions

Height = 5 cm (2.0")

Width = 143 cm (56.3")

Depth = 9 cm (3.5")

Description

For sale a late eighteenth century achromatic desktop library telescope by Dollond of London. A telescope of outstanding quality and presence from one of the foremost London scientific instrument makers of the period, it is comprised of a 43 inch tapering mahogany barrel which retains its original red paint finish and a two and three quarter inch diameter objective lens. With the inclusion of the detachable eyetube the telescope is extended to 53.5 inches in length. The telescope is focused by means of a rack and pinion movement which operates a secondary 3 inch barrel and the maker's name "Dollond, London" is expertly engraved to the surrounding collar. The body is secured upon a solid brass 19.5 inch high tripod base with tapering shaft upon articulated claw feet. This fine instrument comes complete with its original mahogany packing case and two additional eyepieces. It also retains its original brass objective dust cap and with superb attention to detail, it also has a secondary eyepiece dust cap that is fitted in place of the eyetube when the telescope is packed away. As with all things emanating from the Dollond workshop, this instrument bears all the hallmarks...

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