

SA839244

Mid Eighteenth Century Mahogany Stick Barometer by Nairne & Blunt London

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA839244****Date of manufacture: 1750**

Dimensions

Height = 95 cm (37.4")

Width = 12 cm (4.7")

Depth = 9 cm (3.5")

Description

For sale, a Mid Eighteenth Century Mahogany Stick Barometer by Nairne & Blunt, London. Constructed on finely grained mahogany board with large domed top and chamfered edge which runs completely around the body of this finely constructed instrument. The generous silvered and engraved scale plate is designed to follow the contours of the head of the barometer leaving the chamfered edge to frame it. The engraving shows standard weather indications to the left of the scale and a scale divided for 27 to 31 inches of barometric pressure. The 27 is deliberately not marked due to the necessity for a screw head and to maintain symmetry. A large Vernier is also placed to the left of the scale for more precise measurements. To the domed top, the famous makers' name of Nairne & Blunt, London is engraved in a semi circle mimicking the barometer contours and also surrounding the brass cap that secures and protects the top of the barometer tube. The exposed tube is half set into the body of the barometer and runs down the full length of the trunk terminating into a round bulbous cistern cover secured by a brass clip at the head. A robust travelling screw emanates from the base. The co...

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