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Price
GBP 6,500
| USD \$8,796 | EUR 7,606

Item Reference: SA846064

Date of manufacture: 19th Century

Dimensions

Height = 42 cm (16.5")

Width = 6 cm (2.4")

Depth = 6 cm (2.4")

Description

Elegant Japanese pillar clock, 'SHAKU-DOKEI', c. 1820 The very fine 30-hour, weight-driven movement is constructed between bars and consists of a going train only. It has verge escapement with balance on top of the upper plate. Around the balance is a circular surround with an aperture. A small brass convex disc on the balance acts as a false 'pendulum'. It is driven by a lead weight which carries the hand. The skeletonised brass front is engraved with a chrysanthemum motif. Top and bottom plates are connected by four turned pillars. The wooden dial - the pillar - has thirteen movable engraved brass hour chapters, called toki. The Japanese characters on the toki depict the following numbers from top to bottom: 6, 5, 4, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 9, 8, 7, 6. The time is indicated by a pierced brass pointer which slides down the case trunk. The movement is situated a shitan case, the hood being glazed on all sides so that the movement is entirely visible. To wind the clock, the hood can be removed by unlocking a wooden turnbuckle. The winding key is stored in a small drawer at the bottom of the pillar. Height: 42 cm; width: 6cm; depth: 6cm. Literature: W. Brandes, Alte Japanis...

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