

SA858381

Rare Early 18th Century Welsh Oak Farmhouse Dining Table

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA858381****Date of manufacture: 18th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 83 cm (32.7")

Width = 278 cm (109.4")

Depth = 85 cm (33.5")

Description

"Barn fresh" is an oft used term in the antiques trade to describe a piece that has "emerged" onto the market after a long period of neglect. This rather splendid table could accurately be described as such, having been covered and stored in a barn, thankfully, on the bed of a trailer, (which is the reason the feet are intact). A table of almost identical form and from the same locality, known in my family as "y ford ddu" or "the black table", suggesting a rich, dark colour, wasn't as fortunate. My late father consigned that table to a damp outbuilding where it stood for over twenty years and where it was eventually reduced to a wreck. The substantial, inch and a half thick, three plank, cleated top has a series of pegged "biscuit" tenons and a surface that suggests repeated scrubbing. The six legs are all chamfered with soft ogee stops. There would have been a drawer at each end, a feature I have never before seen on a Welsh table of this six-legged form. The central, high, transverse stretcher appears to be original, again, a rather unusual detail. A simple, scratch moulding around the lower edge of the frieze, on all sides, is the only decoration on this appealing...

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