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A SUPERB 'TYPE' SPECIMEN COLLECTORS CABINET IN MAHOGANY AND SATIN WOOD. CIRCA 1870.

Price

GBP 1,675

| USD \$2,267 | EUR 1,960

Item Reference: SA875042**Date of manufacture: 1870**

Dimensions

Height = 60 cm (23.6")

Width = 97 cm (38.2")

Depth = 50 cm (19.7")

Description

A SUPERB AND EARLY 14 DRAWER VICTORIAN MAHOGANY AND SATIN WOOD COLLECTORS CABINET ORIGINALLY USED TO HOUSE THE OXFORD UNIVERSTIY MUSEUM OF INSECT 'TYPE SPECIMENS'. A BEAUTIFUL AND HISTORIC CABINET MADE CIRCA 1870. FASHIONED IN RICH AND HIGHLY FIGURED HONDURAS MAHOGANY. FOURTEEN DRAWERS SURROUNDED BY SATINWOOD VENEER MOULDINGS AND EACH CARRYING THE ORIGINAL BRASS RING HANDLE. THE FOUR LOWER DRAWERS, AS CAN BE SEEN, ARE A LARGER FORMAT. ALL THE DOOR SHUTS BEAR THE ORIGINAL BURGUNDY VELVET SEAL TAPES. THE ORIGINAL LOCK AND KEY ARE PRESENT AND FULLY FUNCTIONAL. INSECT COLLECTORS WILL BE FAMILIAR WITH THE EXPRESSION, 'TYPE SPECIMEN'. THESE WERE THE FIRST EXAMPLES TAKEN OF NEW SPECIES WHICH WERE PRIZED BY MUSEUMS AND ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND FORMED THE BASIS OF NEW NAMING AND ARRANGEMENT UNDER CURATION. THE CABINET WILL MAKE A WONDERFUL FOUNDATION FOR MANY SORTS OF COLLECTION. EACH DRAWER HAS A CLOSELY FITTING GLAZED FRAME TOP AND A HIDDEN UNIVERSAL CELL AROUND THE INSIDE PERIMETER. DIMENSIONS. HEIGHT. 23.5 INCHES. WIDTH. 38 INCHES. FRONT TO BACK. 19.75 INCHES. DRAWERS. 10 TOP DRAWERS. WIDTH. 15.25 INCHES. FRONT TO BACK. 15.25 INCHES. OVERALL DEPTH. 2 INCHES. (IMPERIAL PI...

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