

SA925396

Gillows Pair of Victorian Rosewood Chairs

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA925396****Date of manufacture: 1850**

Dimensions

Height = 87 cm (34.3")

Width = 47 cm (18.5")

Depth = 42 cm (16.5")

Description

A splendid pair of Victorian period rosewood side chairs by Gillows of Lancaster. Of excellent construction with finely carved detailing. With turned and reeded front legs. With caned seats and detachable stuffed cushions. Both chairs stamped "Gillows Lancaster" to their undersides. Offered for sale in excellent condition, ready to go straight into the home. Dimensions: Width 47cms Depth 42cms Overall height 87cms Seat height 46cms The firm of Gillow's of Lancaster can be traced back to the luxury furniture and furnishings firm founded by Robert Gillow (1704–72) in 1730. Robert Gillow served an apprenticeship as a joiner. During the 1730s he began to exploit the lucrative West Indies trade exporting mahogany furniture and importing rum and sugar. Following his death in 1772, the business was continued by his two sons, Richard (1734–1811) and Robert (1745–93). In 1764 a London branch of Gillow's was established at 176 Oxford Road, now Oxford Street, by Thomas Gillow and William Taylor. The firm rapidly established a reputation for supplying high-quality furniture to the richest families in the country.

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