

SA950195

A lavish 16th century
renaissance dressoir.

Price

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Item Reference: SA950195

Date of manufacture: 16th Century

Dimensions

Height = 160 cm (63.0")

Width = 134 cm (52.8")

Depth = 60 cm (23.6")

Description

A magnificent French renaissance dressoir dating from the late 16th century with later restorations. This dressoir was most likely made in Burgundy, where many of these cupboards are associated with local famous furniture sculptors such as Hugues Sambin of Dijon 1520 - 1601. This piece would have been commissioned by a person of great wealth and power and the dressoir would have accentuated this in the property that it once stood. Cupboards such as this are a rarity to the market, as most are in private collections and museums around the world. This example is of extremely high quality and lavishly carved throughout with an abundance of decorations. The top has full figure supports with the centre support depicting saint Judith holding the severed head of Holophernes. To the right front support is Neptune and Salacia with a mythical type beast behind them. To the right hand side at the back is a female support with a large bird at her feet and this is possibly a depiction of Hecate the goddess of witchcraft and magic. To the far left front support is a depiction of Mars and Venus with their son Cupid standing behind them, his bow and quiver of arrows at his feet. To the b...

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