

SA958873

A fine quality 18th century
TAVERN CLOCK by John
 Simpson, Reading.

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA958873

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Dimensions

Height = 150 cm (59.1")

Width = 74 cm (29.1")

Depth = 20 cm (7.9")

Description

A fine quality mid-18th century ebonised weight-driven 8-day TAVERN CLOCK timepiece by John Simpson of Reading. This fine ebonised example has a large (29 inch diameter) cream painted 2-piece wooden dial with Roman numerals; Arabic outer 5-minute markers and features beautiful counter-weighted polished brass hands. The case is black with gold 'Chinoiserie' painted decoration. Featuring people; houses; a Temple; trees, bushes and flowers. There is further gold painted floral decoration to the sides and underside. The 8-day movement is driven by an especially large lead weight with a short drop, and original brass pendulum. This splendid Tavern clock comes complete with two door-keys and a winding key. It is sold in full working order and guaranteed for 12 months from date of purchase. The maker John Simpson is a 'known' maker, working in Reading (Berkshire) from 1775. Ref: Brian Loomes - "Watch and Clockmakers of the World", (complete 21st century edition, p.711). Act of Parliament Clocks, more commonly known as Tavern Clocks, were displayed in Inns and Taverns throughout the United Kingdom beginning in the mid-18th century. Such clocks were plain in design, the faces...

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