

SA972194

Antique Knife Box, English, Cutlery Canteen, Oak Lined, Kitchen, Georgian, 1770

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA972194****Date of manufacture: Georgian**

Dimensions

Height = 34 cm (13.4")

Width = 23.5 cm (9.3")

Depth = 21.5 cm (8.5")

Description

This is an antique knife box. An English, flame mahogany cutlery canteen with oak fitted interior, dating to the Georgian period, circa 1770. Superb craftsmanship with beautiful figuring and useful proportion. Displays a desirable aged patina and in good order throughout. Select flame stocks present rich caramel hues and striking grain interest. Chased boxwood inlays decorate surface edges with a lighter caramel colour. Of distinctive shield form, the canted lid opens smoothly on shield-shaped hinges. Lid interior accentuated with an inlaid boxwood six-pointed star. Arranged as a canteen of 31 individual pieces or 25 pieces with six pairs of tongs. Canteen crafted from oak, with medium caramel hues and further boxwood inlay. Dressed with a brass shield lock escutcheon with clasp — key absent. Drop handles over shaped backplates adorn each side of the canteen. The whole standing upon a trio of delightful brass paw feet. This is an exceptional antique knife box, with original, quality fitted interior setting it apart from more common, later converted examples. A fascinating example of mid-Georgian craftsmanship. Solid joints and construction, delivered waxed, polished and ready for...

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