

SA981634

Victorian Camphorwood campaign chest

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA981634

Date of manufacture: Victorian

Dimensions

Height = 54 cm (21.3")

Width = 120 cm (47.2")

Depth = 52 cm (20.5")

Description

This Victorian Camphorwood chest was made circa 1870 when there was much upheaval and troubles in India, the untamed areas of Afghanistan, and the Northwest Frontier. The trunk is a good large size and so a more substantial piece than the usual ones you will find. British Officers would need strong durable chests to transport their uniforms and effects on the long arduous and dangerous journeys, hence why these trunks had brass corners to protect these, they also had the advantage of looking attractive. Another sign of this fine example being superior quality each strap has been screwed into place, as well as the large carrying handles to each end. Camphorwood has a natural perfume and so when the trunk is opened you get a gentle aroma of the beautiful camphor scent. This timber was especially important in the East as insects avoid this timber and so the uniforms etc were free from attack. These Victorian Camphorwood military chests make fantastic coffee tables as not only are they functional they also make great conversation pieces. Of course, they can be used in many places around your home as have a capacious storage area. Imagine the pleasure of ownership this will b...

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