

18th Century French Oak Parquetry & Marquetry Inlay Cupboard



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Period: 18th century

Condition: Très bon état

Material : Oak

Width: 106

Height: 116

Depth: 53

Description

Very Decorative 18th Century French Provincial Parquetry & Marquetry Inlay CupboardThis 18th-century French provincial parquetry and marquetry inlay cupboard is a rare and striking example of craftsmanship. The cupboard features a rectangular molded top above two drawers, both of which are secured with a single lock. The drawers are richly inlaid with geometric patterns and fitted with original, beautifully shaped brass handles and carved lock escutcheons, situated above two lockable cupboard doors closing two shelves. The molded doors showcase a complete surface of parquetry and marquetry inlays, abstract veneers of kingwood, olive wood, and other fine timbers set in contrasting patterns and geometric frames. The front stands on classic bun feet, and the piece retains its original working

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locks and keys. The cupboard's warm, rich patina and superb craftsmanship make it not just a functional storage piece but a true conversation starter, ideal for a collector or anyone looking to add a statement of historical luxury to their home. What sets this piece apart is the quality and complexity of its decorative work. Marquetry, the art of creating pictures and patterns by applying thin veneers of various woods, was perfected in France during the 17th and 18th centuries and represents one of the highest forms of furniture decoration. Parquetry, which mainly uses straight-lined geometric designs, complements the more intricate, curved motifs of marquetry to create a visually stunning surface. The technique allowed French cabinetmakers to use a variety of rare woods and create furniture with vibrant, warm patinas and dazzling patterns.