



19th Century Late Meiji Japanese Keyaki Merchant Tansu Chest

3 400 EUR



Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Other

Width : 118

Height : 96.5

Depth : 42

Description

19th Century Late Meiji Japanese Keyaki Wood Merchant Tansu Chest This stunning late 19th-century Japanese Meiji period tansu chest is a true masterpiece of craftsmanship. Crafted from exquisite keyaki (Japanese elm) wood in Sendai Prefecture, this piece showcases the refined artistry of traditional Japanese cabinetry. Its hand-cut iron hardware and integrated "safe" box add both functionality and a touch of exotic elegance. The rich, flowing grain of the keyaki wood is beautifully highlighted by the lacquered finish, lending a warm, natural beauty. Hand-cut iron fittings add a striking visual contrast and are a testament to the meticulous craftsmanship of the piece. The tansu features a long upper drawer, three medium drawers, two petite drawers, a central "safe" door, and three additional hidden

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drawers within the safe, offering ample and cleverly organized storage. This piece embodies the transitional elegance of the late Meiji period, blending traditional Japanese aesthetics with subtle Western influences. Use it as a statement piece in a living room, bedroom, entryway, or study. Its functionality makes it equally at home as a decorative accent or practical storage solution. This tansu offers a practical yet elegant storage solution. Ideal for anchoring a room, this chest can serve as a functional and decorative focal point. In a living room, its drawers can be used to neatly organize blankets, books, or board games, while its surface becomes a stage for cherished decor or art. In a bedroom, it transitions seamlessly into a spacious dresser, capable of housing clothing and accessories, with smaller drawers perfect for jewelry. It represents a rare find, showcasing the exceptional quality and artistry of Japanese craftsmanship during the late Meiji period. Its history adds to its allure, making it not just a piece of furniture, but a piece of history. This tansu is more than just storage; it's a timeless work of art that seamlessly blends history and modern aesthetics. It will bring a unique and sophisticated touch to any home.