

Louis-philippe Chest Of Drawers In Burr Walnut, Mid-19th Century



Description

This superb Louis-Philippe chest of drawers, discovered in the Loire Valley region in the home of a winegrower, reflects the discreet refinement of French art de vivre. Passed down from generation to generation within a distinguished household, it once graced the main salon, storing important family documents and cherished objects. The commode opens to four spacious drawers, including a discreet upper drawer, cleverly concealed within the apron and seamlessly integrated into the elegant lines of the cornice. The original round brass escutcheons remain intact, and the piece comes with its original key, used as a pull rather than a lock. The top and sides are crafted in solid walnut, highlighting the quality of the materials chosen. The chest stands on elegant, slightly

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Period: 19th century

Condition: Très bon état

Material: Wallnut

Length: 129 cm (50,79 in) Height: 100 cm (39,37 in) Depth: 58 cm (22,83 in)

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curved patin feet that lend it both lightness and grace. The drawers are assembled with traditional dovetail joinery -- a hallmark of fine 19th-century cabinetmaking. This technique ensures remarkable strength and durability, allowing the drawers to bear weight without warping, even after decades of use. One of the most beautiful aspects of this piece lies in the mastery of the cabinetmaker, who carefully selected and cut the finest burl walnut veneers, assembling them with intelligence and artistic sensibility. Each drawer front becomes a visual composition, where the natural patterns and flowing lines of the wood answer each other in harmony. The palette ranges from golden honey tones to deep, warm browns, offering depth, richness, and timeless elegance. This commode has never been restored -- only gently cleaned, waxed, and polished. The patina remains healthy, lustrous, and authentic. The structure is solid, the drawers glide smoothly, and the piece is ready to be used immediately, whether to store personal belongings or to serve as a statement piece in a bedroom, office, or refined living space. A video presentation is available on Instagram upon request via the account antiquité_guideau.