A good, documented and small mid-16th century oak boarded chest, English, circa 1550

Sold



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Height: 50 cm (19.7")

Width: 74.5 cm (29.3")

Depth: 34 cm (13.4")

Description

With unusual features, the hinged lid with applied moulded edge, original and large scroll-profiled spandrels below the plain front board, the sides descending to ogee-arched cut-away supports, with unusual carved arms of a 'cross' to each apex, highly reminiscent of a full cross found on similar period boarded stools, to the rear of the beautifully 'adze-worked' back board an original applied ledge with two small cut-outs to house the hinge lug and thereby support the lid when open

Provenance: Gene and Sally Foster Collection

This chest is illustrated in Victor Chinnery, 'Oak Furniture: The British Tradition', p. 82, fig. 2:113

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