

QUEEN ANNE BURR WALNUT DOUBLE DOME BUREAU BOOKCASE - REF 2282

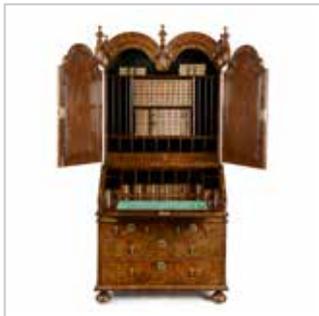
A superb Queen Anne burr walnut & feather banded double dome bureau bookcase. The upper section surmounted by a 'double-dome' with the additional feature of a dome on each side return and retaining its original turned walnut finials and bevelled mirror plates. The doors open to reveal a fully fitted interior with pigeon holes, folio slides and shelves. Below each door is a candle slide.

The lower section with very well figured fall with inside a velvet writing surface, hidden well and a bank of concave fronted drawers and pigeon holes. Below the fall are two short and two long drawers divided by double cock-beaded mouldings and banded with herringbone inlay. The bookcase stands on turned bun feet.

This magnificent bookcase, which retains particularly good colour, benefits greatly from the cabinet makers attention to detail. The burr walnut veneers have all been carefully selected for their figure. All its original brass handles and escutcheons have been engraved and it retains the most attractive hinges to the upper doors.

Particularly unusual are the mouldings that define the shape of the domes. This shape might be described as a 'hipped' dome, but it is also the depth of these mouldings and the sweeping movement that they create that is so special. The quality of this work is far above that seen on most bookcases of this early age.

PRICE: £87,500



Provenance: Private collection UK.

Origin & Age: English, Queen Anne, circa 1710.

Dimensions: 41½" wide, 87½" high; 23½" deep; 105cm wide, 222cm high; 60cm deep.

Restorations: Minor restorations to chipped veneers, velvet writing surface replaced. Cleaning, waxing.

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