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GEORGE III FIGURED MAHOGANY SERPENTINE COMMODE ATTRIBUTED TO HENRY HILL OF MARLBOROUGH - REF 2478



A superb & highly unusual, if not unique, George III figured mahogany serpentine commode, attributed to Henry Hill of Marlborough. The top of full serpentine form with an inverted superstructure, with two panelled doors opening to reveal a fitted interior of drawers and pigeon holes. The top of the main commode extending to form a convenient writing surface. Below an arrangement of four graduated serpentine drawers fitted with original gilt brass swan neck handles, bordered by serpentine shaped outstanding front edge corners. A lower shaped apron joins the extravagantly out-swept feet. In addition to the traditional horizontal serpentine form, the front and sides also have a gentle serpentine form in the vertical. A highly significant piece of furniture, superb quality, excellent figuring, choice veneers and wonderful colour and patina throughout.

Exuding quality and attention to detail, the creator of this piece went to extraordinary lengths to create one of the finest commodes that is available on the market today. Although bearing a close resemblance to pieces illustrated in the Lady Lever Art Gallery, Catalogue of Commodes, this piece is surely unique, in both quality and design. See millingtonadams.com for more information.

PRICE £49,000

Provenance: With Jeremy Ltd, London sold to Sir Philip Harris (now Lord Harris), then with Apter Fredericks Ltd, London. Exhibited Masterpiece Fair.

Origin & Age: English, George III, circa 1770

Dimensions: 42" wide, 43" high, 24" deep; 107cm wide, 109cm high, 61cm deep.

Restorations: Minor old restorations, waxing. Brassware, locks and feet apparently original.

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