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Georgian Naval Chair

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Height: 93.94 cm (37")

Width: 52.05 cm (20.5")

Depth: 44.43 cm (17.5")

Description

A Georgian mahogany Naval Chair with a reupholstered green leather seat.

Once the seat is lifted up to rest against the pierced splat, the two side bars to the underside of its frame no longer prevent the legs from folding. The side rails are hinged allowing them to push into the centre of the frame which causes the front legs with their top rail to fold against the chair's back. It's a quick, easy movement which was ideal on board a ship when time was important. When set up, the short tenons to the side rail sit into the mortice joints to the inside edge of the front and back legs to add strength.

This is a good example of one of the earliest forms of campaign chair available and looks similar to its domestic equivalent. Circa 1760.

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