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Walnut Campaign Chest

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Height: 105.37 cm (41.5")

Width: 110.45 cm (43.5")

Depth: 57.13 cm (22.5")

Description

A walnut two-part Campaign Chest.

This chest is comparable to the Two Part Georgian Chest as it also has an overhanging double reeded edge. Aside from this little piece of decoration, the chest is very plain although the timber has a rich colour. A better cut of wood has been used as a veneer repeated on each of the drawer fronts to give it a subtle but smarter finish.

The chest has four long drawers, but the top drawer has two removable dividers to create three separate areas. The handles are not skeletal, as you might expect on an early military chest, but those more commonly seen on chests of a later date. They are original but examples of their early use. The original, removable bulbous turned feet are fitted with threads and are another earlier example of a practice that became standard with later chests. Most chests of this date have push on feet. It is also worth noting that it has two lugs to locate the top section to the bottom but they are offset as opposed to the middle as you expect. One is to the front on one side and the other to the back.

An interesting example in the development of the campaign chest. Circa 1820.

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