

A late-16th Century, Museum Quality, Italian Walnut & Fruitwood
Marquetry Marriage Cassone or Chest with a Coat of Arms &
Retaining Traces of the Original Gilded Decoration

£20,000



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Height: 62 cm (24.4")

Width: 187 cm (73.6")

Depth: 62 cm (24.4")

Description

- Exceptionally rare, striking cassone most likely made to commemorate a marriage which would have been one of the most important pieces of furniture in the home at the time
- The cartouche containing a coat of arms with three fleur-de-lys and a chevron is a rare feature
- The arabesque, floral and scroll marquetry is beautiful and fluid.
- Areas not decorated with marquetry such as the lower moulding on all sides and parts of the top retain traces of the original gilded decoration which would have given the impression of these less prominent areas also being inlaid with marquetry, this is exceptionally rare feature to survive.

The hinged lid above a triple panelled front decorated with marquetry inlaid with scrolling leaves, the central panel with an armorial crest and cartouche, standing on carved lion's paw feet. The interior with a compartment.

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Height 62cm., 2ft.

Length 187cm., 73 ½ "

Depth 62cm 2ft

Dimensions:

Height: 24.41 in (62 cm)Width: 73.63 in (187 cm)Depth: 24.41 in (62 cm)

Style:

Renaissance (Of the Period)

Materials and Techniques:

Fruitwood,Walnut,Inlay,Marquetry

Place of Origin:

Italy

Period:

16th Century

Date of Manufacture:

c1580

Condition:

Repaired. Wear consistent with age and use. Replaced hinges. Compartment created in the interior.

Seller Location:

Eversholt, GB

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