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William Day Leather Trunk

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Sold

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Height: 34 cm (13.4")

Width: 76.5 cm (30.1")

Depth: 39 cm (15.4")

Description

Very similar in style to the trunks made by the Chinese for the western market, this green leather on camphor wood one has a label for the English makers W. Day.

Although such trunks were imported from Canton and retailed in England, it is probable that Day manufactured this one, copying the fashionable look of those from the Orient. The brass studs are slightly different to those used by the Chinese, as are the handles and brass ware. Day's label is to the interior of the lid and illustrates other items that they made such as portable beds, patent expandable trunks and portable desks.

The address to the label of this trunk is 353 Strand which dates it to after 1823. This trunk is fascinating for its similarity to those made by the Chinese. Early to Mid C19th.

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