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ENGLISH 19TH CENTURY SOLID CAMPHORWOOD STORAGE CHEST



$3,200

This English camphorwood chest dates to the 19th century and exemplifies the restrained practicality and material honesty characteristic of period storage furniture. Constructed entirely of solid camphorwood, the chest displays the warm golden tone and naturally animated grain for which the wood is prized, particularly evident across the lid and broad front panel.

Camphorwood was widely favored in the 19th century for trunks and chests due to its natural aromatic and insect-repellent properties, making it especially suitable for storing linens, textiles, and personal effects. The interior retains its clean, straightforward construction, with visible framing and paneling that speak to its original utilitarian purpose rather than later decorative adaptation.

The form is simple and well balanced, with a hinged lid fitted with original hardware and side handles designed for transport. The proportions allow the chest to function comfortably as a blanket chest, end-of-bed storage, or hall piece, while its solid build also makes it suitable for use as a low bench or coffee table in an informal setting.

Unadorned yet visually engaging through its natural material alone, this chest works well in English country house interiors, rustic or farmhouse spaces, and layered traditional rooms where authentic surface wear and patina are valued over refinement. A strong, honest example of 19th-century English domestic furniture, retaining both its function and character.

Height: 21 in (53.34 cm)

Width: 41.25 in (104.78 cm)

Depth: 20.25 in (51.44 cm)

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