



A rare Elizabeth I walnut, chestnut and Japanned table cabinet, circa 1580-1600

Sold



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REF: 3109

Height: 37 cm (14.6")

Width: 35 cm (13.8")

Depth: 26 cm (10.2")

## Description

Having a hinged canted top, enclosing a well, the geometric applied frieze unusually decorated in gilt, with two resting stags against a black ground, the lockable fall-front again with applied elongated-pyramidal mouldings, opening to reveal an interior of five small drawers with geometric and landscape decoration against a vermillion ground. Further painted landscape decoration to the sides.

For a comparable inlaid table cabinet, dated 1570, see the collection at Melford Hall, Suffolk (NT926575) and illustrated Ralph Edwards, *The Dictionary of English Furniture* (1986), Vol. I, p. 101, fig. 4.