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CHINESE ANTIQUE FURNITURE



Sale Price £1,250 (was £2,500) - Black Lacquered Yokeback Armchairs

SHANXI PROVINCE, C19TH

DIMENSIONS: W:59 D:46 H:114 (cm)

REFERENCE: CH194

£1,250 PAIR

These high yokeback (or official's hat) armchairs are of impressive size and design.

The curvilinear form of the crest rail and armrests terminate in teardrop shaped ends. The crest rail curves upwards towards its rounded ends while merging in the centre with the top of the S shaped back splat to form a headrest. Viewed in profile the S of the back splat is offset by the rear posts, which curve elegantly forward in their descent before becoming vertical.

The arms follow the natural curvature of the resting human arm, before shaping outwards to both form a natural hand rest and to suggest a welcoming embrace to the sitter. They are supported by posts that continue the curvilinear form before becoming vertical. The spandrels under the front posts echo those between the rear post and the crest rail.

The naturally worn footrests and the stretchers are at different heights, traditionally a conceit to represent the steps necessary in a scholar's career. Restoration work included new lacquer and rattan seat.

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