



**SHARON FITZSIMMONS**  
CHINESE ANTIQUE FURNITURE



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**Sale Price £1,575 (was £1,750) - Brown Lacquer  
Roundback Armchair**

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SHANDONG PROVINCE, LATE C 18TH

**DIMENSIONS:** W:57 D:45 H:95.5 (cm)  
**REFERENCE:** CH195

£1,575

In remarkable condition with original lacquer, this C18th chair is designed to be appreciated in the round, it's signature feature the beautiful continuous curvilinear crest rail.

The chair was built with vernacular strength to withstand the harsh weather of Shandong Province, and the wonderfully tactile original protective lacquer is crackled in parts consistent with age.

It is a particularly good example of the chair that inspired Hans Wegner's China Chair, which has been in production since the 1940's, itself an icon of modern furniture.

The curved back splat tenons into the seat frame and crest rail, which is thicker at the top for support.

The rear stiles are rounded, curving elegantly forward at the top before being tenoned into the crest rail. These stiles descend through the seat frame, becoming the back legs.

This curvilinear form continues with curved rounded front posts continuing into the seat frame and becoming the front legs. Supporting posts are also curved.

The apron features floral carving, while under the seat itself the legs are rounded on the outside, echoing the curves of the upper half of the chair, and squared on the inside to better hold tenoned stretchers and aprons. The rattan for the seat is new.

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