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Fine French Louis XVI Fauteuil, Circa 1780, Upholstered in Colefax & Fowler Silk

£650

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Description

A fine late 18th-century French fauteuil, dating to circa 1780, with a beautifully carved timber frame and newly upholstered in exceptional Colefax & Fowler silk from the Fowler estate. Elegant in proportion and richly detailed, it is a refined example of French seat furniture from the Louis XVI period.

The frame is crisply carved with the restrained classical ornament associated with the period, its graceful lines balancing delicacy with a satisfying sense of structure. The shaped arms, upholstered seat and back, and finely worked legs give the chair a poised, inviting silhouette, while the hand-carved decoration lends texture and distinction to the whole.

Its luxurious Colefax & Fowler silk upholstery provides a particularly distinguished finishing touch. Long associated with the finest English interiors, the fabric brings depth, colour, and a subtle sense of country-house grandeur to the chair, while remaining sympathetic to its 18th-century French character. The fabric's provenance from the Fowler estate adds an additional layer of interest for collectors of design and decorative arts.

Equally suited to a drawing room, bedroom, library, or dressing room, this fauteuil would work beautifully as a standalone statement piece or as part of an eclectic group of antique seating. It offers the rare combination of genuine 18th-century French craftsmanship, elegant form, and distinguished later upholstery.

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