Basic Detail Report



Writing Desk

Date

18th century, staff

Medium

Wood, gesso, paint, iron

Description

Carved gessoed and painted drop-front chest with hinged lid, dovetailed joinery, decorative forged iron hardware, and ball feet. Inside, a stationary tray is faced with an applied carved arcade. Below are 4 drawers faced with applied panels of carved Moorish Arabesques. An asymmetrical floral spray of dark and light red buds with green foliage is painted on yellow ground on iner lid and dropleaf. On exterior traces of painted tendrils are visble through vestiges of overpainting.

Dimensions

Other (Chest): 11 1/4 x 20 1/4 x 14 1/4 in. (28.575 x 51.435 x 36.195 cm)