

Collectors' Items, Works of Art and Light Fittings / Friday, 6th December 2019 / Lot 2580



### LOT 2580

A rare Louis Vuitton zinc-covered 'Explorer' cabin trunk (malle cabine), circa 1895, the hinged lid and sides with brass trim, studs, side handles and locks, the top with three wooden slats above a single wooden slat to the front and back, the interior with original printed label numbered '33525', the underside stencilled 'Louis Vuitton Paris 1 Rue Scribe London 454 Strand' and fitted with metal barrel castors, height 34cm, width 86cm, depth 48.5cm (lacking section of central lock).

Estimate: £20,000 - £30,000

### Condition Report

2580. Central locking clasp broken and missing. Overall dents, scuffs and scratches to edges and corners commensurate with its use and age. The majority of the top is covered in black paint and has been inscribed with various names and details. Both ends and back also have some patches of black paint and white stencil details. The zinc has some areas of rippling and an overall oxidized surface. The front wooden bar has some old historic woodworm and there is also evidence of slight woodworm to the wooden slats on the base. Damage to the rear hinges on the back of the trunk. Some minor and fairly typical wear to the interior lining, with only some light damage to the label. The interior is lacking its tray. Please refer to extensive photos for further details.

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