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**A LARGE BLACK FOREST ANTIQUE MANTLE  
CLOCK**

**Dimensions: H: 31 in / 79 cm | W: 35.5 in / 90 cm | D: 12 in / 30 cm**

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A Large Black Forest Mantle Clock

Constructed in carved linden wood, fitted with a two train 8 day striking clock; mounted on a shaped serpentine base, with a moulded edge, the naturalistic ground of rockwork, tree branches, leafage and berries incorporate two retrievers and the day's bag; the huntsman, dressed for stalking, surveying the scene, surmounts the clock. Black Forest, Circa 1890

**Provenance:**

Brienz, Bernese Oberland, Switzerland Brienz, in the Bernese Oberland, Switzerland was remarked upon in Baedeker's Travel Guide, as having a population of 2400, of whom 600 persons were employed as woodcarvers, to supply the tourist trade to Switzerland with mementos of the tour. A museum devoted entirely to the art of wood carving may be visited today.

**Literature:**

Literature; 'Swiss Carvings, The Art of the Black Forest' by Arenski, Daniels and Daniels, published by The Antique Collectors Club 2004 for similar examples on pp 152-160