

AN ASTROLOGICAL CENTRE TABLE FIRMLY
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H: 30 in / 76 cm | W: 41 in / 103 cm | D: 31 in / 78.5 cm

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Constructed in very finely figured mahogany and satinwood, and having marquetry inlay of superior quality, rising from square-taper legs and spade feet on castors supporting the oval top; a central cartouche housing astrological instruments, set within radiating segments inlaid with bellflowers pendant drops and terminating in a twelve-lobed band of semi-circular segments containing the signs of the Zodiac; all set within a floral border of specimen wood composition and satinwood crossbanding. The apron and legs similarly inlaid with fine marquetry of geometric floral oval inlays and continuous swags.

Circa 1890

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