

A 'BLACK FOREST' BEAR BENCH

Dimensions: H: 38.5 in / 98 cm | W: 61 in / 155 cm | D: 19 in / 48 cm

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Constructed in carved Lindenwood, the seat supported by two free-standing <u>bears</u>; the frame of the bench modelled from branchwork with a carved bear in the central backrest flanked by open fencing with oak foliage continuing as armrests, the seat carved with further leafy oak branches in shallow relief and with a carved apron bearing a pair of carved oak leaves.

Brienz area, circa 1890

Literature:

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