

Exceptionally rare, Italian, 17th century, green and ivory, damask, linen, handwoven coverlet could be adapted into a hanging, curtains, upholstery or cushions

£10,000



REF: 11543

Height: 255 cm (100.4")

Width: 229 cm (90.2")

Depth: 0.5 cm (0.2")

## Description

Exceptionally rare, Italian, 17th century, green and ivory, damask, linen, woven bed coverlet - Made as a luxury item in the mid-17th century, woven with a damask pattern characteristic of Renaissance ornament for the highest status piece of furniture in the home - This bedspread comprises five panels, each panel has 3 ½ pattern repeats. Few period bedspreads survive as many were cut-up and recycled into cushion covers, smaller curtains or chair seats. - It is in remarkable condition suggesting that it has been packed away for a large part of its life. It has been treated by Thermolignum as a precaution and cleaned. - It is ready to either be reinstated as a bedcover or a hanging or, if the panels were separated it could be used as an applied feature on curtains or bedcurtains. One end panel and half a repeat of the other end panel are faded from exposure to light.

Measures: Overall width 229 cm, 7ft 6 inches/panel 46 cm., 18 inches Overall length 255 cm 8ft 4 inches.