



Ambrose Heal, Arts & Crafts Oak Cottage Sideboard or Dresser

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MAKER	Heal's
DESIGNER	Ambrose Heal
PERIOD	Arts & Crafts Movement , 1920-1929
YEAR	1920
STYLE	Arts and Crafts
ORIGIN	United Kingdom
MATERIALS	Oak
DIMENSIONS	H: 39.76 in (101 cm) W: 48.03 in (122 cm) D: 17.91 in (45.5 cm)
CONDITION	Good

About this piece

An *Arts and Crafts* **oak** cottage sideboard or dresser designed by **Ambrose Heal** for *Heals*, combining architectural simplicity with functional craftsmanship, c.1920.

This **oak** sideboard or dresser was designed by **Ambrose Heal** for *Heals* during the *Arts and Crafts movement* (1880 – 1910), reflecting the designer's pursuit of honest construction and domestic utility. The piece embodies Heal's belief that furniture should express structural clarity through proportion and material truth.

Formed from well-figured quarter-sawn oak, the cabinet comprises two short drawers above a pair of fielded cupboard doors, each fitted with simple circular knobs and a central hasp latch. The gently curved top rail and bracket feet soften the rectilinear frame, producing a balanced silhouette typical of Heal's early twentieth-century cottage furniture.

Made circa 1920, it belongs to Heal's later interpretation of the movement, aligning with the firm's principle that craftsmanship could coexist with well-designed manufacture. The original surface retains a warm patina with consistent tone throughout.