



William Birch. Liberty & Co., Retailer. A Classic Arts & Crafts Rush Seat Oak Dining Chair

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MAKER	William Birch
PERIOD	Arts & Crafts Movement , 1900-1909
YEAR	1900
STYLE	Arts and Crafts
ORIGIN	United Kingdom
MATERIALS	Rush, Oak
DIMENSIONS	H: 38.78 in (98.5 cm) W: 16.54 in (42 cm) D: 17.72 in (45 cm)

About this piece

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Liberty & Co., retailer. A classic Arts and Crafts rush seat oak dining chair with a wide curved headrest and attractive wild grain. Ring turned legs with ring turned front stretchers. These timeless designs were unique to **William Birch**.

A popular model of the day made in large numbers with many survivals. They were made in High Wycombe near London, which in the late *19th Century* was the center of the chair making industry in the U.K. I do enjoy restoring these classic chairs; each chair is gently knocked apart, joints cleaned, glued, reassembled, and clamped overnight, then set aside for a few days while the glue fully cures.

They are then cleaned and waxed and sent off to my old-time rush seat specialist who lays new rush, ready for another three or four generations of use.