Regent Antiques Share Their Top Tips for Antique Hunters

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London, UK (RPRN) 07/16/13 — Antique furniture specialists Regent Antiques give their expert tips for unearthing a gem during your antique shopping trips.

Antique shopping is something of an art form, with many antique hunters employing strategies to ensure that they find the perfect antiques, whether for their home or to add to their collection. Here, antique furniture specialists Regent Antiques share some of their top tips for antique enthusiasts to help them hunt out new pieces.

Be Prepared

Sounds obvious, but don't head out to the antiques stores or fairs with a blank canvas. This could make your shopping trip overwhelming as you browse through aisles and aisles of unorganised items. Make a list of everything you'd like to buy that day; if you know what you're looking for, you will have a clear focus, and your shopping trip will more likely be a successful one.

Shop with an Open Mind

When you are browsing an antique store, whether in person or online, do not close off your options, and always try to look at items in a different light. A lot of items you find in antiques fairs can be reinvigorated for a more modern day use than what was originally intended.

Have a Purpose for Your Purchase

While it is best to embrace alternative uses for pieces whilst antique shopping, do not buy an antique just because you think it's a good deal. Know exactly how you are going to use your new purchase when you get home, set out a place for it in one of your rooms, and measure the space before you leave so you can purchase something that fits the dimensions.

Ask Questions about Your Items

It is always useful to ask the seller about the history of your new antiques, if not because it will give you an idea of the quality and sturdiness of the item, but knowing where your item came from, where it has been, and what it was originally used for, will make your new purchase extra special.

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