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Indo-Portuguese Sadeli Cabinet

Gujarat or Sindh, Late 16th century

71.3cm wide, 35cm deep, 35cm high

This item contains less than 10% ivory and has been registered with Defra.

Ebony veneered with sadeli marquetry in tropical hardwoods and ivory, the front with an arrangement of drawers with shield shaped escutcheons and carrying handles to the sides. A games board with similar marquetry is in the V&A Museum, London, Accession Number 1961-1899, as illustrated in Amin Jaffer, Luxury Goods from India, London, 2002, no. 4.