



## Robert Heritage, Gloucester sideboard, 1960, Archie Shine

Designer: **Robert Heritage**

£2,950

### DESCRIPTION

**Gloucester sideboard by Robert Heritage for Archie Shine.**

The Gloucester cabinet by Robert Heritage typifies his refined and subtle approach towards case furniture. The outline and 'façade' is simple and restrained. The recessed drawer and door pulls and pushes latches to the doors ensure minimal imposition on the design.

A distinctive feature of the design is the radius to the front edge. Also that the side panels aligned with the top surface, when ordinarily cabinet construction demands the top to over-sail the sides.

The overall aesthetic has a subtle personality through the generous curve to the front top edge, the shaped legs and a cohesive aesthetic to the entire unit.

The cabinet is made to extremely high standards by British cabinet maker Archie Shine and selected solid and veneered teak has been used.

The partnership between Heritage and Archie Shine began in the late 1950s and continued through the 1960s. The designs by Robert Heritage embraced traditional elements though were thoroughly modern in proportion and detail. Heritage favoured bold dimensions with long sleek outlines for his cabinets. This was in contrast to most other UK-based designers and manufacturers of the period.

Robert Heritage is a somewhat overlooked designer. He was awarded more COID (Council Of Industrial Design) design awards by the Design Council than any other British designer in the 20th Century. His work extended from industrial products to lighting and even to furniture for the QE2. Heritage was acknowledged as Royal Designer for Industry, awarded a CBE and was professor of furniture at the Royal College of Art.

## DIMENSIONS

183w x 46d x 76cmh

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