



ANTIQUE RESOURCES

HISTORIC AND ONE OF A KIND PIECES

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HANDLING AND UNPACKING A CHANDELIER

Congratulations on your purchase of a fine historical piece of lighting! Please read the following to ensure you have a smooth transaction in installing your fixture. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Antique Resources at 773-871-4242.

1. **DO NOT** tilt or lay the box on its side or place any weight on top of the box as your chandelier may be suspended inside the box.
2. If the chandelier is large and fragile with crystals, make sure you have a large garbage bag to scoop out the popcorn or other packing materials and lift out gradually. **Yanking it out with force can break and loosen parts.**
3. It is recommended that the chandelier be unpacked until it will be installed.
4. Provide the electrician with the details about your fixture **prior to installation** so he/she knows if any prep work is required. Have the electrician check the electrical box and wiring in your home. The electrician might need to consider:
 - a. Installing a ceiling reinforcement, if the chandelier is more than 80 lb., and/or if the electrical box requires it. It's a good idea to have the components required to install the fixture such as crossbars, screws, steel nipples, ladders, and other electrical tools.
 - b. Have a blanket under the chandelier, in case crystals get loose. If so, they can be restrung. A blanket may prevent the crystals from breakage. Old hand cut crystals shapes are difficult to find and may need to be replaced with new ones.
 - c. If the fixture is heavy, more than one person may be required to handle it. We provide an estimated weight to help you judge.
 - d. Fixtures do not come with light bulbs, canopies (ceiling covers), chain, screws, crossbars, or other accessories required for installation. You or your electrician can purchase them at any hardware supply chains like Home Depot. However, we offer a small selection of ceiling covers (canopies) and chains to accommodate last-minute projects, **they are sold separately**. For fancier accessories, chandelierparts.com is a good online supplier. Light bulbs can be purchased at Walgreens or Home Depot as well.
5. Make sure the fixture is handled from the top and bottom of the body **ONLY!! DO NOT** handle the chandelier from any of the arms. Doing so can make the arms come apart or require rewiring.
6. If the person installing it has any questions or concerns, please have them contact us at 773-871-4242.

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