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London

## **POWDERHAM CASTLE CHAIR**



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For more B. Harmer chairs, see Classic Chairs' model CH-EA, The Classic Regency chair, a link below: [Classic Regency Elbow Chair](#)

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