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## Sold for a fortune, antique chest that cost £100 and 'got lost' for 70 years

For more than half a century they had scoured the world for it, put out feelers to any likely collector, sent its description to international auction houses.

But there was one place the Victoria & Albert museum didn't look in their hunt for the rare antique Japanese chest.

It was under someone's telly in a house a few hundred yards away.



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Money box: The chest was deemed worthless by its owner but has now sold for 63,000 times what he paid for it



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