



## Aikuchi Tanto, Shinshinto, Mumei, Certified Nthk

2 000 EUR



Signature : Nichioki Kanetsugu

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Wrought iron

Length : nagasa 14,25cm

### Description

Description: Blade of Aikuchi Tanto, Shinshinto, Mumei (without signature), certified by the NTHK and attributed to "NichiOki Kanetsugu" (1865-1912), with a nice Koshirae mount.

The sale price takes into account the Tateware (forge defect on the blade). Indeed, a flawless blade from this well-known blacksmith whose blades are classified as "Chujo Saku" sells for around double the selling price offered here. It's a good opportunity to start a collection.

"NichiOki Kanetsugu" (1865-1912) - Biography and lineage:

Kanetsugu whose real name "Heki" (which can be pronounced "Hioki"), was the grandson of

### Dealer

**L'Atelier du Sabre Japonais**

Sale/Restoration of Japanese swords and Bugu - N.B.T.H.K

Member Japon

Mobile : +33 (0) 7-61-13-87-08

Saint-Doulchard 18230

Kanesaki ?? (12th generation). Kanetsugu who was part of the "Inshu Kanesaki" lineage, was active around 1865-1868. He studied the art of forging with the 10th generation of Kanesaki, but also with Yokoyama Sukekane and later forged blades alongside Minamoto Kanenori. His first blades were signed Kanehira ??.

The main Hamon of his blades were mainly Gunome in Nioi Shimari, but also in Suguha.

The Hira-zukuri blade features a beautiful, very irregular Gunome Hamon.

The Tsuka is covered with a Same (in ray skin) in complete winding, decorated with Menuki in the shape of an Okame mask (lucky charm) in gold-plated copper. With a small copper Tsuba, its beautiful old black lacquered Saya with fine mother-of-pearl inlays (Raden), all accompanied by a registration certificate and an NTHK expertise and a Bukuro (protective bag in Japanese fabric).

Standard certificate: NTHK Expertise  
Standard certificate: Torokusho N°46176 - Date:  
November 14, 2021 - Name of issuer: Fukushima  
Prefecture.

#### CHARACTERISTICS:

Mumei (unsigned)

Name of blacksmith: Attributed to "NichiOki  
Kanetsugu" - Location: Inaba (Tottori  
Prefecture). South Honshu.

Blacksmithing school: Inshu Kanesaki - Location:  
Inaba (Former province of SW Japan, north of  
Hiroshima and Okayama) also called Inshu.

Era/Time: Kanetsugu was active between 1865  
and 1912, this blade was forged around  
1865-1868.

Blacksmith Rating/Rating: Chu-Jo-Saku.

#### CHARACTERISTICS OF THE BLADE:

Total length of the blade: 20.6cm

Nagasa: 14.25cm (4 Sun 7 Bu Han)

Weight: 69grs

Sori: Height: 0.1cm - Type: Uchi-zori

(descending at Kissaki level on the contrary of the other Sori)

Mekugi-ana: 2 including 1 filled with silver.

Nakago type: Standard - Futsu-gata - Nakago-jiri

(Extremity) type: Iriyama-gata - Ubu - (Original uncut) - Without Yasurime

Mune type: Iori-mune

Sugata type: Hira-zukuri

No -hi (without Throat)

Jihada type: Itame Nagare

Hamon type: Gunome Are, irregular and very pronounced

Kissaki type: O-kissaki, due to Sugata in

Hira-zukuri

Boshi type: Jizo in Kaeri-katai

Habaki of type: Yujyo - Material: copper

Steel type: Tamahagane

Defects: Forging defect type Tateware

#### KOSHIRAE:

Tsuba: Plain without pattern, copper.

Fuchi/Kashira: Very beautiful Fuchi in Shakudo on the theme: a bird on a branch - Kashira in buffalo horn.

Menuki: On the theme: Face of Okame (lucky charm, attracting beneficial waves, in gold-plated copper.

Tsuka: Without braiding

Saya: Black lacquered with fine mother-of-pearl inlays (Raden).

Sageo: Old, in beige silk (in its own juice)

#### TRANSLATION OF EXPERTISE NTHK:

##### FRONT:

Expertise

By reputation: NichiOki Kanetsugu

Authentication

Blade length: 4 Sun 7 Bu Han, i.e.: 14.25cm

Dated Reiwa 3, November 14, i.e.: November 14  
2021.

Nihon Token Hozon Kai + Official red square  
stamp (On Japanese Washi paper folded in 6  
vertically)

BACK:

Certificate number: N°18902

Description:

Without signature

Texture: Itame Nagare, appearance of a  
pronounced grain, on all the length

Quenching line: Gunome Are, Regular waves  
with high amplitude

Kisaki quenching: Are Komi,

Pronounced sweeping of the Boshi

No engraving, no inscription

Silk: 1 hole + (1 filled with silver) Remarks:

Tottori ( Inshu),

Period: Meiji Validated by 7 official stamps of e  
xperts.

Last part, with tracing of the imprint of the silk,  
with large official square stamp.

TOROKUSHO TRANSLATION:

1: Juho Token Rui Toroku sho [Registration  
certificate for firearms and edged weapons  
(swords)]

2: Registration and No.: Made in Fukushima  
Prefecture

3: Torokusho No. 46176

4: Category : Bladed weapon

5: Category: Firearm (Not concerned)

6: Type of bladed weapon: Tanto (Collectible  
dagger)

7: Firearm (Not concerned)

8: Length: (of blade) 15 cm (approx. )

9: Gun (Not applicable)

- 10: Curvature: (Sori) 0.0 cm
- 11: Gun (Not applicable)
- 12: Number of holes in tang: 1
- 13: Gun (Not applicable)
- 14 : Inscriptions:
- 15: Without
- 16: Remarks
- 17: Heritage object code:
- 18: Date: Showa 49, 10.21, i.e.: October 21, 1974
- 19:
- 20: Fukushima prefecture (Committee for the preservation of cultural property)
- 21: Great seal official square
- 22: Dai character in red top right.