Prussian Model 1798 Grip Pistol



800 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Length : 43.5

Diameter : 18

Description

Military cavalry pistol - Austria Grip pistol transformed by the Prussian arsenal around 1850 This very long Austrian pistol is often considered one of the most beautiful of this period. It is indeed with the 1763 long a gun whose line has a remarkable aesthetic. It was initially the regulatory Austrian flintlock model 1798 used in the cavalry until 1851. It is a grip pistol. This one was transformed into percussion in the Prussian military arsenals around 1850 by receiving hammer and piston from the Prussian capsule model 1850. Its long was ends with a mouthpiece fixed by a screw, equipped with a sight which firmly holds the barrel. Its length of 42 cm is surprising because at that time we had generally shortened to about 35cm all pistols in Europe. The model was adopted in 1798 but it seems to

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have been distributed to the cavalry only from 1800. This shortened pistol is also found in the Bavarian gendarmerie (model 1827). The Bavarians occupied Vienna after the Battle of Wagram in 1809 with the French. They emptied the magazines and used this pistol after having shortened it for the gendarmerie. These guns are unmarked and the fittings are brass. They do not have a loading rod.