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Beautiful German Court Sword, Eighteenth Century



950 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Other

Length : 92 cm

Description

It is a beautiful sword, typical of the 18th century, very probably of Germanic or Austrian origin.
The mount appears to be silver, but is more likely silvered bronze, this type of material was in vogue at the time (for example it was the case for the swords of the Gardes du Corps du Roi in France)
BLADE: It is of hexagonal section over three-quarters of its length, and becomes lozenge-shaped towards the tip.
On each side is engraved a rather worn decoration which shows plant motifs and the "face in the sun", symbol of the Monarch's authority. This blade most likely originated in Solingen.
Length of the blade 76 cm, Width near the guard = 2.3 cm, thickness near the guard 0.6 cm, point of balance at 7.5 cm from the guard

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GUARD: Double shell guard plate, finely chiseled Quillons in "S" shape ending with bulbs with vegetal decoration
The "donkey steps" or finger rings are functional and the index fits there without any problem
The guard branch is chiselled in the middle with a vegetal motif, it joins the pommel and is fixed there by a screw. This type of assembly is comparable to that found on the Germanic Walloons.
POMMEL: It is ovoid and surmounted by a plant motif.
GRIP: it is surrounded by a twisted wire binding of silver or silver-plated brass, and ends at each end with a silver-plated brass ferrule.
In conclusion, it is a pleasant court sword from the middle of the 18th century, of a slightly unusual style, which will fit elegantly into a decor that can evoke the reign of the emperors of the Holy Empire of the time, such as Charles VII, François 1er of Lorraine or obviously Joseph II of Austria.
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