



## Rare Metal Table Lighter Late 17th



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Period : 17th century Condition : Très bon état Material : Brass Length : 18 cm Width : 6 cm Height : 9.5 cm

## Description

This table lighter stands out from the ordinary for its age and style.

Clearly, the table lighters that we encounter from the 18th century had from origin the pistols that were contemporary with them, and they therefore use the wooden stock and the mechanism of these pistols.

Here, that is not the case: We are still in an all-metal construction, with a completely visible mechanism, as found in the first all-metal flintlock pistols made by the Cloeter family from Mannheim in the last quarter of the 17th century. We can therefore reasonably date this lighter to the end of the 17th century, or the very beginning of the 18th (authors' opinions differ on the exact dates of these lighters).

The body of the object is made of brass, with a

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Trouvedeniers Pradinas 12240 stock ending in the shape of a ball. A door, decorated with carvings, on the side opposite the plate allowed access to a small compartment in which pieces of tinder and possibly a spare flint were stored. The mechanism works perfectly, the hammer holds the two cocked notches well. All springs are powerful. On the back of the stock is chiseled the bust of an "antique" character. Beautiful object which has its place in a collection of old firearms, or in a cabinet of curiosities. Ref DY-2304