

Set Of 3 Mahdist Daggers From Sudan



480 EUR

Period: 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Other

Width: 15 cm

Height: 36 cm

Description

This set of 3 daggers is typical of Sudan. It dates from the time of the Mahdist rebellion, in the last quarter of the 19th century.

It consists of 3 daggers = 2 curved khandjars and a straight double-edged dagger, in a unique crocodile skin sheath.

The BLADES: They are all double-edged, and are entirely covered with religious inscriptions engraved by acid, in characters called "Thuluth". On only one of the 3 blades, the inscriptions at the last quarter of the blade are erased by oxidation and wear.

The HILTS: They are made of bone, in a so-called "coil" shape, and end with a small flat pommel in goat's horn.

SHEATH: it is as described in crocodile skin for the central part and the two side sheaths. The

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small central sheath, although appearing to be crocodile, is perhaps made of another leather (?). The entrances to the sheaths are decorated with a small golden frieze.

This unusual set is interesting for the material of the scabbard, for the historical aspect, and for its very decorative and exotic side. It will naturally find a deserved place in a gentleman's "cabinet of curiosities"

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