



Rare Renaissance Candlestick (16th C.)



3 500 EUR

Period : 16th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Alloy

Description

Twisted Form Candlestick Holder

France, 16th century

Copper alloy

H. 27.8 cm (10.9 inches)

Used condition, with previous restorations.

This large candlestick holder possesses a pure and balanced form. The metal twists of the stem catch the light and produce a delightful shimmering effect on the object. Additionally, the twisted form likely evoked or was used with candles of the same shape (see illustration: British Museum inv.1965,0403.1).

This rare candlestick holder can be compared to a specimen formerly held at the Cluny Museum, Paris (inv. CL12493), now housed at the National

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Museum of the Renaissance, Château d'Écouen.

The dimensions, alloy color, base shape, and presence of hexagonal rods are similar. However, the twisted motif at Écouen is replaced by a lozenge faceted pillar stem motif. These similarities strongly suggest that the objects originated from the same workshop.