



Globular Stater With The Cross In Gold - Senons - Gaul - 100 To 80 Bce



990 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Gold

Diameter : 12

Description

Very beautiful stater with a gold cross. People of the Senons Gaul 100 to 80 BCE 12mm in diameter 7.34g!!! These staters, of a very simple typology, are of a complex technology. Extremely simplified, this stater shows the difference between our modern conception of a beautiful currency and the ancient conception of a valuable currency; this stater of 7.34 grams of gold was certainly worth more than a beautiful Parisii stater but in less good gold and lighter! It is also interesting to note that this type was represented alongside the 53 Parisii staters in the Puteaux treasure discovered in 1950. J.-B. Colbert de Beaulieu proposed these globular staters with the cross as "the first coinage of or Parisii? The Senons, whose name means the wise or the ancient, controlled a vast territory which

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extended between the south of Champagne and the north of Burgundy. Their main oppidum was Agedincum (Sens) which still retains the name of the ancient civitas today. They owned several other oppida such as Auxerre, Tonnerre or Avallon. Divona seems to have been the main sanctuary of the Senons. Caesar had six of his legions winter in 53 BC at Agedincum. Labienus, Caesar's lieutenant and legate, came to establish himself in the region of Sens between Gergovia and Alésia in order to control the roads and protect Caesar's armies from an attack by the Belgians or the Germans. Caesar (BG. II, 2; V, 54, 56; VI, 2, 3, 44; VII, 4, 10, 11, 34, 56-59, 62, 75). Ptolemy (G. II, 8, 9).