

## Portable Equinoctial Sundial - Jean-baptiste Delure (active In Paris From 1695 To 1736)



2 100 EUR

Period: 18th century

Condition : Très bon état Material : Sterling silver

## Description

Portable equinoctial sundial
Jean-Baptiste DELURE (active in Paris from 1695 to 1736)
Paris, France, circa 1700-1720
Silver and glass
H. 3.2; L. 6; L. 6.9 cm
(restoration to the foot)

Portable equinoctial sundial, octagonal in shape, in silver with platinum engraved with three hour scales, featuring a compass, a folding gnomon engraved with floral motifs and an avian figure cut out on both sides.

On the reverse, the compass bowl is marked with the latitudes of twenty-six major European cities, such as 'Paris 49 Rennes 48 Vienne 48 Venise 45 Rome 42 Toulouse 43 Truin 45'.

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Signed 'Delure à Paris' and hallmarked with a small fleur-de-lys (1697-1704).

Original chagrin case.

Jean-Baptiste Delure, active in Paris from 1695 to 1736, was a pupil of Nicolas Bion (1655-1733), royal engineer.

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