

Engraved Basin Lid - Fleur De Lys Coat Of Arms & Knight's Helmet - Early Period



295 EUR

Period: 17th century Condition: Bon état Material: Brass

Description

Mid-17th century France Provenance: Private collection of a sister of the Monastery of the Visitation in Paray-le-Monial A lid with heraldic decoration of chivalry inspiration This remarkable engraved and openwork brass warming basin lid, dating from the 17th century, has a rich heraldic decoration, centered on a fleur-de-lis coat of arms surmounted by a knight's helmet with lambrequins. Warming basins, used between the 16th and 18th centuries, were used to warm bed linen using a brazier placed inside. The lids, often richly decorated, were not only utilitarian, but also reflected the social status of their owner, through heraldic and symbolic motifs. Description & Symbolism o Central coat of arms: Adorned with fleurs-de-lys, a symbol associated with the French monarchy and certain

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great noble families. o Knight's helmet: Placed above the shield, it evokes the military and aristocratic heritage. o Engraved lambrequins: Decorative motifs inspired by tournament ornaments, emphasizing a prestigious appearance. o Circular openwork: Typical of the warming basins of this period, they promoted the diffusion of heat while enriching the aesthetics of the object. State of conservation o Good general condition, with an authentic patina of use. o Some wear and marks of time, consistent with its age. o Slightly altered fastening system, but intact structure. Dimensions o Diameter: 25 cm ALL DELIVERIES ARE MADE BY DHL EXPRESS ONLY.