19th Century Sugar Axe.

340 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Metal

Description

This sugar axe from the early 19th century may seem quite surprising to modern consumers, accustomed to sugar cubes neatly arranged in a box or to powdered sugar. However, until the invention of sugar cubes in 1873 by the Czech Jacob Kristof Rad (1799-1871), the sugar axe was an essential tool for housewives. Indeed, sugar packaging in Europe was until then very often done in the form of a conical sugar loaf, invented by the Venetians in the 15th century. This agglomerated sugar was then very hard and to remove it, a metal axe was necessary. This example measures approximately 29 centimeters which allows an easy grip. At its end are a curved blade to cut the large pieces, and an acorn-shaped end, to then reduce the size of the resulting pieces. Good general condition, with traces of

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