

Silver And Carnelian Pillbox - Arabic Calligraphy - 19th Century



125 EUR

Period: 19th century Condition: Bon état

Length: 30 mm Width: 22:mm Height: 17 mm

Description

Silver and engraved carnelian pillbox - Arabic calligraphy - 19th centuryElegant oval pillbox in finely hammered silver, adorned on the lid with a carnelian stone hand-engraved with calligraphic Arabic characters. Description The stone is set in a twisted frame, bringing relief and refinement to the whole. The central calligraphy seems to bear a religious invocation or a Quranic verse, typical of Islamic piety objects. This type of piece could be used to contain seals, kohl or symbolic elements, and was sometimes worn as a talisman or personal object of devotion. The body of the pillbox has a hammered texture, evoking a bark or braiding pattern. The interior is sober, with a patina of use, and the box closes perfectly. There is a discreet hallmark under the base, difficult to read but suggesting a title close to 900 silver.

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Characteristics: Period: 19th century Origin:
Middle East / Islamic world (probable Ottoman or
Persian influence) Material: Silver (hallmarked),
natural stone (carnelian) Decoration: Arabic
calligraphy, closed setting, hammered body
Dimensions: 30 mm x 22 mm Weight: 16.5 gr
Condition: Very good general condition, light
wear related to use, intact stone. Do not hesitate
to contact me for any additional information or
request for additional photos concerning the
objects offered for sale.