



Rare Meerschaum Pipe, 19th Century - Eros And Psyche, Erotic Mythological Scene, 1890



1 600 EUR

Period : 19th century Condition : Bon état Material : Other Length : 15 cm

Description

Rare 19th-Century Meerschaum Pipe Depicting Eros and Psyche - Erotic Mythological Scene, Vienna, ca. 1890An exceptional and finely carved meerschaum figural pipe featuring a sensuous mythological scene of Eros embracing the nude Psyche, attributed to late 19th-century Vienna. The composition captures the lovers entwined in a moment of intimacy and affection, masterfully rendered in high relief. The anatomical detailing, sculptural movement, and smooth patina reflect the work of a highly skilled artisan. The erotic motif, cloaked in classical allegory, typifies the Romantic and Symbolist trends of fin-de-siècle Europe, where mythology served as a vehicle for refined sensuality. The pipe is housed in its original red velvet-lined fitted case, stamped:"R. Schischmanek, Zur Türken Pfeife, Mariahilferstr.

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25, Wien"This identifies it as sold by a respected Viennese tobacconist active around the 1880s-1900s, known for Turkish-style and high-quality artisan pipes. The address, located on Vienna's prestigious Mariahilfer Straße, underscores the shop's elite clientele.The stem is crafted in dark amber , complementing the warm tone of the aged meerschaum.