



16th Century Italian Rapier



6 500 EUR

Period : 16th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Metal

Length : 95.5

Description

16th Century Italian Rapier This beautiful and rarely seen rapier originates from Bologna and dated circa 1510, making it a very early example. The hilt is very interesting with a pair of S shaped quillons, with the ends forming into a mushroom shape. The guard is fitted with a large side ring with the same embellishments, with the rear branch flows down to form a finger guard. The cut out in the blade to accommodate the finger guard is a very typical Northern Italian addition to the overall design, and typical of blades of this period and area. The pommel is expertly crafted and flows with the same overall designs and embellishments. The blade is a double edge and shows extensive signs of use, this is supported by the shortening of the blade. The extensive stress cracks and delamination's are

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very good evidence of extensive use, but judging by its slim line blade its most likely was used for duelling. The rapier is very well balanced and robust and a fine early example. Specifications: Overall Length 95.5 CM Blade 82 CM <https://antiquesarmoury.com/product/16th-century-italian-rapier/>