Khanjar With Wootz Damascus Blade, Mughal Style Silver Mounting And Scabbard



3 000 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Sterling silver

Description

India (North or Deccan), 18th centuryElegant curved khanjar with an 18th century wootz damascus steel blade, featuring a characteristic crystalline moiré veining. The ovoid handle in chased and openwork silver, punctuated by an inlaid medallion, testifies to the virtuosity of the Mughal goldsmiths. The scabbard, also sheathed in silver, is decorated in repoussé with scrolls and stylized palmettes, motifs typical of the Mughal style and inherited from Safavid Persian floral ornamentation. The symmetrical organization and openwork relief recall the friezes and muqarnas of Islamic architecture. This khanjar elegantly illustrates the fusion of Persian and Mughal traditions in the 18th century. The floral and geometric decorations anchor it in the workshops of northern India or the Deccan, while the choice

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of a blade in Wootz Damascus steel, prized for its strength and natural patterns, makes it a weapon as functional as it is an object of parade and prestige. Beyond its metallurgical qualities, Wootz steel carried a spiritual charge. Its undulating patterns were perceived as divine writing, sometimes associated with a sacred chronology. Each blade thus became a unique piece, at once a weapon, an object of honor and a spiritual symbol. Very good condition, with patina of use on the silver and beautiful legibility of the Damascus pattern; small opening at the scabbard level, without affecting the integrity.Dimensions:o Total length (with scabbard): 46.5 cmo Length without scabbard: 41.5 cmo Blade length: 25 cmPrice: 3,000This khanjar combines the oriental metallurgical mastery of wootz, the refined goldsmithing of the Mughal style and a strong symbolic dimension. A prestigious piece representative of Indo-Persian splendor.