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Extremely Rare Imperial German Naval Officer's Sword With Damascus Blade



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Period : 20th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Brass

Length : 90.5

Width : 2.2

Height : 74

Description

Extremely Rare Imperial German Naval Officer's Sword with Damascus Blade
Period: circa 1900-1914
An outstanding and extremely rare deluxe Imperial German naval officer's sword, featuring a highly unusual lion-head pommel with one green and one red glass eye -- a very scarce variant among known examples. The lion's head is of a rare sculptural type with exceptionally fine detailing and a powerful expression, symbolizing strength and command. The gilded brass guard is richly pierced and engraved with floral scrolls and the Imperial crown over a fouled anchor, representing the Kaiserliche Marine. The white grip, bound with gilt wire, remains in excellent condition and retains the original silver-and-red bullion portépée. The magnificent Damascus steel blade displays a beautiful watered pattern.

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throughout, enhanced with deep blue and gilded panels depicting naval trophies, crowned anchors, and acanthus scrollwork. Presented with its black-lacquered metal scabbard with gilded brass fittings and two suspension rings, all in excellent preservation. Dimensions (approx.): Overall length: 90,5 cm Blade length: 75 cm Blade width at ricasso: 2.2 cm Remarks: A museum-quality example of a deluxe Imperial German naval officer's sword by WKC, Solingen, featuring Damascus blade, blue-and-gold etching, and an exceptionally rare lion-head variant -- among the most desirable patterns produced for high-ranking officers of the Kaiserliche Marine before World War I.