



Bronze Model Of The 155mm Rimalho Ctr Cannon, Model 1904.

850 EUR



Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 16 cm

Description

Bronze model of the 155mm Rimalho CTR model 1904 cannon, most likely used by the army in strategic simulations. The 155mm CTR model 1904 howitzer (CTR: short for 'court à tir rapide' or 'short rapid fire') is a piece of artillery developed by Émile Rimalho, hence its nickname 155mm Rimalho, adopted by the French army artillery in 1905. These howitzers, manufactured at the Bourges Arsenal, were used during the First World War. They were intended to provide the heavy field artillery deemed necessary to complement the 75 mm guns that were widely used by French artillery regiments, theoretically to fire on field fortifications (trenches, shelters, etc.). The 1904 model was to be used pending the production of more modern equipment. In August 1914, 104 155 CTR pieces

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were assigned to the five heavy artillery regiments, each supplied with 540 rounds, for a total of 78,000 rounds. To improve range during the First World War, the artillerymen increased the powder charge, which led to very rapid wear and tear on the barrels. The 155 mm CTR model 1904 howitzers were gradually withdrawn from service until the last one was replaced by the 155 C model 1915 Saint-Chamond and model 1917 Schneider guns. Translated with DeepL.com (free version)