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Sword Of A Naval Officer Of The Dauphin's Staff - The Duke Of Angoulême - Louis XIX - 1815



2 800 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Metal

Description

Sword of a Naval Officer of the Dauphin's Staff - The Duke of Angoulême - Louis XIX - 1815A half-moon keyboard without a backplate, featuring a central medallion bearing the Arms of France (three lilies) and two dolphins. The Duke of Angoulême (1775-1844) was appointed Grand Admiral of France when his uncle Louis XVIII seized power; as he had no children, the Duke of Angoulême was therefore the heir apparent. The hilt is entirely gilded and richly decorated. The grip is made of finely checkered blackened wood. The simple, rounded branch with a spur is engraved with scales and bears a small flower in its center. It joins the pommel by means of a hook in the shape of an animal's head. The pommel is decorated with a foliate wreath, acanthus leaves, and the thunderbolts of command. The guard has

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a matte finish and bears in its center a shield with the royal arms above a naval anchor, all surrounded by palm fronds. The upper edges are shaped like dolphins. The quillon is formed by a scallop shell. The ferrule is engraved with foliage. This hilt incorporates all the symbolism of naval arms and the attributes of command. The triangular blade has three fullers in its polished state, is blued on one-third of its length, and is decorated with floral motifs. The ricasso is engraved "Manufacture de Klingenthal" on the widest face and "Coulaux" and "Frères" on the other two faces. According to documentation from the Klingenthal Preservation Association, these markings can be dated to 1815. This weapon also incorporates all the hallmarks of the First Empire. It has a blackened leather scabbard without padding, featuring two gilt mounts decorated with outlines. The chape bears a palmette-shaped button. This weapon, in very good condition, has retained 90% of its gilding. The blade shows no pitting and has retained its bluing.