Coral Bas-relief Of The Nativity, Sicily (trapani), 19th Century



2 900 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Coral

Width : 17,2 cm

Height : 17,5 cm

Depth : 1,5 - 2,5 cm

Description

Relief depicting the NativityCoral (Corallium rubrum), carved and mosaiced.Rectangular-shaped devotional relief, framed by rich Baroque carved coral decoration. In the center, a finely-worked Nativity scene showing the Virgin and St. Joseph in adoration before the Child, accompanied by angels, against an architectural background. The set is surrounded by a mosaic of carved coral.The whole is surrounded by an ornamental frame with scrolls, floral motifs and shell elements, characteristic of Trapani production.The reverse is entirely covered with a mosaic of small coral plates in various hues, typical of these creations.Technique: carved coral, mounted on support, coral mosaic reverseCondition: small chips and edge wear, inherent to ageThe

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workshops of Trapani, Sicily, were a major center for the production of coral objects for private devotion (capezzali) in the 17th and 18th centuries.We believe this example was made in the mid-19th century in the Barocque taste?