



Menpo Samurai Mask - Iwai



6 200 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Wrought iron

Description

Menpo - Iwai Me no shita bo face mask made by the famous Iwai armorer group , circa 1600. Iron sabiji mask with characteristic yasuri surface groove lines and a silver inlay moustache with a beard, in an older version without a removable nose piece and with silver teeth. The inside part of mask is painted with red urushi lacquer in the usual way. The five-piece tare made of black urushi overpainted steel is laced together from fluted scales with mimi ito on the last of them. This is a very high-quality type of early Iwai work, which some collectors consider to be the most beautiful type of face mask ever. Stand is not included.

Dealer

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