



16th Cty: Gothic Period Single Cast-iron Andiron With Coat Of Arms, Lion,... No. 2



500 EUR

Period : 16th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Cast iron

Width : 25 cm

Height : 52 cm

Depth : 50 cm

Description

HAUTE EPOQUE 16th century Sturdy and massive cast-iron andiron from Gothic period The andiron features rich ornamentation, from top to bottom: *a grotesque head* a sort of pilaster featuring an unidentified motif in relief (?) *a fleur-de-lis* a seated lion with a thick mane, in high relief !!! The front of the base of the and stick directly references Gothic architecture, with a trefoil arch comparable to those found in churches, windows or doors of the period (these are similarly found in the carving of the chest fronts, the design of the stained-glass windows,...) The sturdy rear leg is classically L-shaped. It bears various original inscriptions, including what could be a date (... 85 or 58 ...) In the late Middle Ages, andirons could stand alone: in some paintings from this period, we see

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depictions of hearths with the central andirons
serving as an axis for logs arranged on either side
in a tent-like formation. Dimensions: 52 cm high 25
cm wide and 50 cm deep. Please check my
announcement for another Gothic period
andiron--this one is also a standalone piece !