



## Flintlock Rifle For Military Academy Students, Model 1817

3 900 EUR



Signature : Versailles

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

### Description

Royal Manufactory of Versailles,  
FranceRestoration period - 1818Iron, steel, brass,  
and walnutTotal length: 136 cm - Barrel length:  
100 cmDESCRIPTIONA rare and significant  
regulation flintlock rifle intended for students at  
French military academies, Model 1817,  
manufactured by the Royal Manufactory of  
Versailles during the final years of operation of  
this prestigious institution.This weapon is of  
major historical interest since it was designed  
exclusively for the training of future officers and  
was produced in extremely limited numbers.The  
barrel, octagonal at the breech and round toward  
the muzzle, is fitted with a tenon for attaching a  
bayonet. It is dated 1818 and bears the regulatory  
hallmarks of the inspector Martial Dombret (DT)  
as well as those of the inspector Louis

### Dealer

#### Collection

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Nottret. The flintlock trigger mechanism, derived from that of the An XIII pistol, is marked "Mre Royale de Versailles." It bears the "G" hallmark beneath a star belonging to inspector Augustin Germain, as well as the internal marking "IEM." The trigger guard with underguard and all the brass fittings bear the hallmarks of the inspectors Jean-Baptiste Deschaseaux and Jean-Baptiste Hardy. The long-barreled walnut stock is numbered 326. It retains its regulation iron ramrod with a nail-head tip, also hallmarked D. A small aluminum disc bearing the number 73, added at a later date, corresponds to a former collection number. The piece is preserved in excellent condition, consistent and authentic. AN EXCEPTIONALLY RARE PIECE This model, lighter than its contemporaries, was manufactured exclusively by the Royal Manufactory of Versailles in a limited run of only 401 pieces: o 201 pieces in 1817 o 200 pieces in 1818 These were the very last pieces produced by the manufactory before its permanent closure. MARKET REFERENCE A comparable piece is currently being offered for 6,000 EUR by expert Bertrand Malvaux, a recognized authority in the field of antique arms. PRICE 3,900 EUR