



Locksmith Trade Sign Key, 45 Cm, Forged, Nuremberg, 18th-19th Century.



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Signature : ateliers de Nuremberg

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Wrought iron

Length : 45cm

Width : 16cm

Description

Large and heavy wrought iron key, once hung from an iron bracket, serving as a distinctive sign for a locksmith's workshop in Southern Germany. This is a fine example of highly accomplished folk art, illustrating the full craftsmanship and technical skill of blacksmiths from 18th-19th centuries. Dimensions: 47 cm including rings × 16 cm Weight: 1.8 kg The ring, baroque style, is cut, turned, engraved, and forged, showcasing a wide range of iron working techniques. As visible in photo 2, traces of former gilded and silvered patinas can still be seen depending on light. The bit, with a cross-shaped opening, is characteristic of Nuremberg safe keys, reinforcing authenticity and historical interest of the piece. Condition: good "as found" condition - no defects, requires only light cleaning. Purchase:

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