



Antique Chinese Hardwood Opium Pipe With Silver Saddle, Ivory Mounts & Sealed Bowl, C19th

650 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Solid wood

Length : 57.5 cm



Description

A fine antique Chinese opium pipe dating to the late Qing Dynasty, circa 1870-1900. The pipe is made from a dark polished hardwood and is fitted with finely engraved silver mounts decorated with elegant scrolling floral motifs. The original octagonal ceramic opium bowl retains its metal collar and bears an impressed maker's seal to one side, adding authenticity and interest. The removable bowl remains in good condition and fits securely into the silver saddle. Both ends of the pipe are mounted with turned ivory fittings displaying the attractive concentric grain and natural age patina expected of genuine nineteenth-century ivory. Fine age cracks are present, entirely consistent with the age of the piece. This is a well-made example intended for the Chinese domestic market rather than a later

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export souvenir. The quality of the engraved silver saddle, original ceramic bowl and hardwood stem combine to make it an attractive collector's piece and an excellent example of Qing Dynasty smoking paraphernalia.Length: 57.5 cm.Good condition with an attractive untouched patina. Minor age-related wear and natural cracking to the ivory terminals as expected. The ceramic bowl is original and bears its maker's seal.SOLD WITH A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITYIt is possible to pay in installments.If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me 0678679716 or email tdixonfrance@yahoo.co.uk.Frais de port inclus pour la France. Shipping included in the price for FRANCE. Price does not include international shipping. Please contact me for a shipping quote. I am happy to combine shipping costs if you buy more than one item to save you money.Please note that I ship all items insured priority mail with tracking.I am an Englishman living down in the beautiful rural South of France and spend my days searching the little brocantes, flea markets, and shops for treasures.If you are forming a collection, I will be happy to advise you.Any questions will be answered promptly.We speak English and French. Nous parlons anglais et français.MONEY BACK WITHOUT QUESTION IF I MISREPRESENT SOMETHING IN ANY WAY.I want YOU to be happy at the end of the day, so buy with confidence.I take a great deal of care packing -- I have a proven track record of selling high value, fragile items that arrive safely worldwide.Payment: Credit Cards via PayPal. Cheque or Bank transfer. Other payment methods are available, please ask.