



## 17th-18th Century Italian Parade Shield



7 500 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Metal

### Description

17th-18th-century Italian parade shield. This magnificent example of high-quality Italian armor belonged to a nobleman or high-ranking officer and was used during processions or parades. Relief coat of arms of the Della Scala family of Verona. A rare find, this beautiful specimen is in excellent condition for its age and retains its original leather, adorned with traces of hand-painted floral motifs. The shield is richly decorated. The upper and central sections feature a relief motif depicting a ladder, a demonic winged ram, and a multiple cross. The design is enhanced by an inlaid engraving bearing the inscription "NUIRNUS MCCC-IIXXX." Unfortunately, the lining has come loose at the bottom; the shield must therefore be handled with care. The grip is also

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covered, and the original forearm rest is missing. This grip is likely a later replacement. The shield is also adorned with floral motifs and overlapping designs. The rim is decorated with iron studs, between which crosses are inserted. Several studs are missing.