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Men's Black Silk Formal Jacket (haori Kuro-montsuki) - Japan, 20th Century



60 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Silk

Description

A traditional Japanese haori-style jacket, designed to be worn over a kimono. This style is a ceremonial garment known as kuro-montsuki, representing the highest level of formality in Japanese men's attire. The garment exemplifies the iki aesthetic (understated elegance), characterized by a rigorous simplicity in its black exterior, contrasting with a richly crafted lining.

Heraldic and Iconographic Analysis

Coat of Arms (Kamon): The garment is adorned with white crests, applied in reserve, traditionally arranged on the back and sleeves. The motif depicts a circular, four-lobed emblem, identifiable as a Maru ni Mokko (cross-section of a melon), a classic heraldic symbol in Japan.

Inner Lining (Gakuura): The interior reveals a complex polychrome composition, using the yosegire

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technique (patchwork effect). The lining juxtaposes scenes of river landscapes, geometric patterns (shima stripes and koshi grids), and stylized shapes reminiscent of uchiwa fans. Technical Specifications Material: Black habutae silk, prized for its matte finish, density, and impeccable structural integrity. Technique: Deep black dyeing, resist-dyed areas for the crests, lining with printed/dyed patterns. Period: 20th century (Showa period).