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A Rare Pair Of Large Gold-damascened Scissors, In An Oriental Style--late 19th Century

1 200 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Length : 26 cm

Width : 4 cm



Description

A rare and elegant pair of large steel scissors, entirely adorned with remarkable gold damascene work, crafted in the style of Hispano-Moorish pieces from Toledo or late 19th-century Eastern workshops. This beautiful piece stands out for the exceptional quality of its decoration, consisting of delicate scrollwork, palmettes, and interlacing plant motifs covering the handles as well as a large portion of the blades. The workmanship, of remarkable finesse, highlights the expertise of artisans specialized in the art of damascening--a technique involving the inlaying of thin gold fillets into pre-engraved steel. The handles, finely cut and elegantly scalloped, feature a refined silhouette perfectly in keeping with the Orientalist style that enjoyed great popularity in Europe during the second half of the 19th

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century. The long, tapered blades retain their excellent decorative appeal and attest to the meticulous craftsmanship intended for a wealthy clientele. More than just a tool, this pair of scissors is a true work of art. It may have been used for cutting precious textiles or for embroidery, or it may have been displayed as a prestige item in a cabinet of curiosities or a refined interior. The damascening, which is particularly well-preserved, highlights the full ornamental richness of this piece. The set features a beautiful antique patina and is in very good condition, with no apparent restoration or alterations. Dated to the 19th century. Shipping: 14 euros within France, 25 euros within the EU, and 80 euros to the rest of the world.