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Kaarlo Merikoski (1878-1954) Knife And Its Sheath Sami Culture, Northern Finland



880 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Description

Kaarlo MERIKOSKI (1878-1954) KNIFE and its SHEATH Sami culture, northern Finland Circa 1925 Birch wood and steel Total length : 20.5 cm Knife length: 18 cm Straight-bladed, single-edged knife, engraved with the maker's name and located in Oulu. The tang, with a beak-shaped pommel, is carved from a section of reindeer antler and adorned with a frieze of engraved sawtooth patterns encircled by two thin wooden rings. Its sheath consists of two slightly curved birchwood strips that taper at their ends--one side is engraved with a scene depicting a reindeer-drawn sleigh. They are joined together with five copper rivets. The upper part of the scabbard features a third section of reindeer antler carved into a stylized shell shape, incised with a scalloped border and centered with a coat of

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arms. Copper suspension wire. This is likely a prestigious piece that may have been given as a gift of honor. Provenance: Former American private collection.