



A Roman Gold Ring Set With A Red Jasper Intaglio Depicting The Bust Of Mercury.



2 200 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gold

Description

Intaglio 9 x 11 mm TDD EU ? 60 - weight 7.53 g. Roman art, 1st-2nd century Gold ring with a domed oval bezel set with a red jasper intaglio engraved with the bust of Mercury in left-facing profile, the caduceus raised behind his shoulder. The solid gold band, with shoulders tapering toward a wide and tall setting, is typical of Roman jewelry from the early Empire--generously sized on the finger and designed for everyday wear. Iconography and Symbolism Mercury, the Roman god of commerce, travelers, and eloquence, and messenger of the gods, is recognized by his caduceus, the staff entwined with serpents; as the patron of trade and profit, he provided a particularly fitting motif for a businessman's personal seal.

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