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Gothic Bronze Mortar With Beautiful Decoration, Era Of The Catholic Monarchs



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Signature : Art Populaire

Period : 16th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Bronze

Diameter : 14cm

Height : 9,5cm

Description

Beautiful and heavy bulbous mortar with its original pestle, cast in bronze. Rim is accented by a pronounced moulding, while body is structured by four projecting buttresses. Between them can be seen several worn heraldic motifs, possibly towers of Castile, and lion of León, symbols frequently found on this type of mortar.

Decoration also features six Gothic letters with internal emblems, together with crosses and floral ornaments. Dated to around 1530, this example displays the characteristics of an early casting, although the actual casting may be somewhat later, as is often the case with Spanish and French productions. Condition: It is evident that this mortar has been used; the body has become slightly misshapen from use. No flaws; it rings clear. Patina and design of this object amaze

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