



Argentine Steel Spur, First Half Of The 19th Century

110 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Other

Length : 22 cm

Width : 8 cm



Description

Spurs are always charming objects, since they remind us of the rides of the free horsemen and evoke a lifestyle that inspires dreams in our dreary modern times. This one, unfortunately "unpaired," is Argentine and, according to the Argentine sources consulted, dates from the first half of the 19th century. It is much more simply crafted than the slightly later Chilean or Argentine spurs featuring enormous wheels stars, known as "chilenas," "lloronas" (weepers, for the sound they made when spun), or "nazarenas" (in reference to Christ's crown of thorns). These ones were designed for functional use. They consist of an arch ("arco") ending at each end with a double-loop fastening system and decorated with typical geometric engravings. This bow is connected to the part named "pihuelo" that

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supports the wheel ("rodeja/roseta") by riveting. Between the bow and the wheel support is a sort of flower-shaped washer flower ("rodete") pierced with holes along its circumference. These holes were used to secure certain fastening elements of the spurs. The rosette (wheel) is made of steel and has seven prongs. It measures approximately 7.5 cm in diameter. This nice object is a typical element of Argentine culture, which will appeal to any horse enthusiast, as well as to those interested in the culture of the Río de la Plata region, of course. Ref. Y-2242 Shipping costs to France and Europe: EUR20