



Mother-of-pearl Seashell Depicting A Religious Scene



265 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Nacre

Description

Carved mother-of-pearl shell with religious motifs--probably from Jerusalem. Carved and engraved mother-of-pearl shell depicting four religious scenes arranged in medallions around a central cruciform motif. The upper section depicts the Crucifixion, with Christ on the cross surmounted by the inscription "INRI." The other scenes are surrounded by a design of finely engraved foliage. The mother-of-pearl has beautiful iridescent sheen, while the reverse side retains the shell's natural appearance. Probably a pilgrimage souvenir from Jerusalem or the Holy Land. Please note: a small chip on the edge, visible in the close-up photograph, as well as some signs of wear. Dimensions: 13 × 12 cm

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