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## Large Journeyman's Compass From The High Period, 17th Century.

980 EUR



Period : 17th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Wrought iron

### Description

Rare Large Forged-Iron Journeyman's Drafting Compass - High Period, 17th Century - 65 cm  
Description: Exceptional and rare large carpenter's or master builder's compass (floor-marking compass) made of hand-forged iron. An authentic folk art museum piece dating from the 17th century (High Period). The multi-blade hinge mechanism (often referred to as a leaf hinge or interlocking disc hinge) is a strong indicator that allows the piece to be dated to the 17th century, or even the late 16th century.  
Dimensions: Total length of 65 cm, ideal for tracing large-scale geometric developments in roof framing or stereotomy.  
Remarkable craftsmanship: Articulated head featuring a multi-blade hinge with interlocking, riveted discs--a hallmark of high-precision 17th-century

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metalwork. The friction mechanism consistently maintains the spread with no lateral play. Folk art decorations: The tops of the arms are beautifully crafted and openworked with a traditional heart-shaped motif (or inverted ace of spades), a powerful symbol of the guild tradition. Outer edges chiseled with geometric notches and semicircular indentations that serve both to improve the ergonomic grip and as alignment markers. Condition: Superb overall original condition. Both handles are complete with their original tips. The iron features a magnificent antique patina--sound and dark--with no perforating oxidation. The item has been handled and preserved with great care. A highly decorative and historic centerpiece for any collector of antique tools, folk art, or the guild tradition. Please note that the compass does not close completely.- This item is available for immediate purchase, payable via PayPal; we also accept bank transfer or French check.- We do not accept sales over the phone; sales will be conducted exclusively via email or through the Proantic messaging system.- We ensure our items are shipped with care, including insurance and tracking. Colissimo shipping costs for Europe Union EUR25.