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Brass Snuffbox Engraved With A Runique Calendar, 18th Century



350 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Brass

Length : 13 cm

Width : 5.5 cm

Description

Scandinavian brass snuffbox engraved with a runic perpetual calendar. This type of medieval calendar is based on the lunar cycle over a 19-year period. It was still widely used in the Nordic countries--particularly in Sweden--until the 19th century. If you look closely at the decoration, you'll notice small symbols intertwined with the letters of the calendar: a cow, a key, a duck... these refer to the major holidays of the year. This piece is rare enough to be found in a museum. A similar piece can be found at the Sörmland Museum in Nyköping, Sweden, under inventory number SLM7925 1.Good condition (signs of wear)18th century Dimensions:Length: 13 cmWidth: 5.5 cm

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