17th-century Italian Cup Hilt Rapier



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Period : 17th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Other

Length : 119 cm

Width : aux quillons 26 cm

Description

This is a beautiful Italian Taza (cup hilt) rapier dating from the second third of the 17th century. Italian rapiers differ from their Spanish "sisters" generally by deeper bowls and quillons that are often slightly narrower. The bowl's mounting, featuring an external reinforcing bar connecting the upper quillon to the base of the knuckle bow , is characteristic.BLADE: This is a strong blade with a lenticular cross-section, featuring a narrow central fuller on each side on the first 60 cm. On the ricasso (inside the cup) , on each side, there is a discreet mark known as the "crucigen globe," indicating that it was made in SolingenBlade length from the quillons to the tip = 107 cm; from the edge of the Taza to the tip = 101 cm; wideness near the bowl = 2 cm; thickness near the bowl = 0.8 cm, balance point 6 cm from the

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bowl.TAZA: It is richly engraved with numerous plant motifs that intersect artistically. The bowl is secured to thearms of the crossguard by two screws QUILLONS: They are straight, in a so-called "trumpet" shape.KNUCKLE BOW : It is connected to the large ring that runs around the entire circumference of the bowl, and ends near the pommelPOMMEL: Shaped like a flattened bulb with chiseled plant motifs. It is topped by a small button to which the blade's tang is riveted.GRIP : It is covered with a wire binding of twisted wire, alternating with another twisted wire binding pattern. This type of decoration is quite rare. The braided crown-shaped ferrules known as "Turk's heads" are present and in perfect condition.This is a fine rapier, perfectly homogen and entirely original, unrestored.Ref. AMB-2636-G2 Shipping cost contribution via UPS France: EUR60 for Europe, EUR80