Sword Known As A "bedside Sword" - 17th Century



750 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Metal

Length : 70 cm

Description

This is a sword known as a "bedside sword," which, strictly speaking, was placed at thehead of the bed to allow its owner to have a weapon within reach in the event of a nighttime attack. In a broader sense, a sword or rapier known as a "bedside sword" is a short weapon, whose guard is almost always small. This type of sword allowed one to discreetly keep a weapon within reach, primarily for use inside a castle or house, where the long blades of the rapiers of the time would have been cumbersome.This sword is likely of French or Germanic origin, based on the shape of the blade and the guard. It can be dated to the first half of the 17th century.The mount and guard: featuring a guard arch (guard branch) and quillons (crossbars) with curved ends, as well as a body knot, characteristic of Renaissance

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weapons.The tang: wrapped in filigree or a metal coil that has aged over time.The pommel is spherical and bulbous, decorated or chiseled.The blade is straight, with a patina resulting from age.Total length: 70 cmBlade length: 55.5 cm