Helmet Of The King's Bodyguard, First Model, 1814, Restoration. 3



9 000 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Description

HELMET OF THE KING'S BODYGUARDS, first model 1814, Restoration period. 34394Cup, visor, and neck guard made of black patent leather. Depth of the cup approximately 16 cm. Visor waxed green on the inside and edged with a silver-plated copper band folded over the outer rim (width 8 mm), secured with four small silver nails. Visor width 5.5 cm. Neck guard made of black waxed leather, approximately 3.5 cm wide.All helmet fittings are made of silver-plated copper.Front plate embossed with a radiant sun, featuring the face of the sun framed by two intertwined Ls surmounted by the royal crown; at the bottom, a cloud motif with a ribbon bearing the inscription "NEC PLURIBUS IMPAR " (Superior to all: the motto of Louis XIV). The height of the plate is 16.5 cm, and its width is

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approximately 32 cm. It is secured by a clasp on each side at the chin straps and by a screw at its top. The rear band tapers to a point in the center, decorated with two branches of foliage featuring a central fleur-de-lis and bordered at the top and bottom by projecting moldings. On each side of the helmet (as per the decision of January 16, 1815) is attached a two-branched palm frond curling forward. Crest consisting of a mask and two wings. All three parts are embossed with a series of feathers tapering toward the back, the upper part of which is cut into festoons. In the lower section, the decoration features a series of acanthus leaves; the lower edge is folded outward, cut into festoons, and secured to the dome by four brass screws with conical heads per fin.Silver-plated metal plume holder with a tubular cross-section that tapers slightly toward the bottom.Chin straps, each consisting of a chin guard and a rosette: the chin guard is made of leather lined with black velvet and covered with a series of scales cut alternately into four or three scallops, the edges of which are chiseled; the chin straps are finished with two silver-threaded laces ending in a tassel. Length of the chin straps approximately 16 cm, maximum width 5.4 cm, minimum width approximately 1.6 cm. Rosettes embossed in relief with a radiant sun, H 6.5 cm, width 7.8 cm, with the face of the sun finely embossed in the center; the back of the face is soldered to a clasp that passes through the rosette, the chin strap, and the helmet; H of the face 2 cm, width of the face 2.6 cm. Mane made of black horsehair mounted on a leather base and cut into a brush shape. Height approximately 7 cm. The front tip protrudes approximately 5 cm; height at the back approximately 3.5 cm.Inner cap consisting of a black waxed leather headband topped with black silk.France.Restored.Very good condition; the inner cap shows signs of wear and has some missing sections.