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Manding / Malinké Saber (sofa) - Decorated Leather Scabbard And European Blade.

185 EUR



Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Other

Description

Mandingue/Malinké saber (Sofa) - Decorated leather scabbard and European blade - 1900-1920.Description:Authentic traditional West African saber (Manding / Malinké culture, known as the "Sofa" saber), dating from the early 20th century, circa 1900-1920.Features:Remarkable scabbard: Entirely covered in dyed leather and finely engraved with geometric and solar motifs. It is complete with its two large medallions made of braided plant fibers, its long suspension straps of supple leather with fringes, and its original tassels.Handle: Wood wrapped in brown leather with raised bands, topped with a brass pommel.Blade: Curved European-style steel blade (likely an 18th-century French cavalry blade that was recut and reassembled locally--a

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common practice at the time), single-edged with a blood groove along the spine. No visible markings (the heel area was likely cut off during reassembly).Dimensions:Total length with sheath: 72 cmBlade length: 58 cmCondition: Very good overall condition with a beautiful patina of age. The leather has remained supple, and the braiding is well-preserved. The blade retains its original gray patina with a few slight traces of surface oxidation due to its age.- 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.