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Complete Armor Of A Kajuji Clan Samurai Archer--edo Period (1603-1868).



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Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Wrought iron

Width : 40 cm.

Height : 129 cm.

Depth : 48 cm.

Description

JAPAN - Edo period (1603-1868).Complete armor of a samurai archer from the KAJUJIKABUTO (helmet) made of black-lacquered wrought iron with eight plates.THEHEN NO ANA (top opening) with three tiers, made of gilded copper and decorated with petal motifs on the first two tiers.SHIKORO (neck guard) with three tiers, made of glossy black-lacquered iron and woven with green, white, and orange silk.MABI SA SHI (visor) made of glossy black-lacquered metal.FUKIGAESHI (the winglets), small, made of glossy black lacquered metal and finely adorned with a clan crest.MAEDATE made of cut, stamped, and gilded leather depicting a stylized fukura-suzume sparrow with outstretched wings.MEMPO (half-mask) made of wrought

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iron, with a pronounced chin and nose, a horsehair mustache, pierced nostrils, red-lacquered lips, and exposed, gilded teeth.YODARE-KAKE (neck guard) with three tiers lacquered in glossy black and green silk braiding.DO (chest plate) made of black-lacquered metal simulating nine tiers and featuring green silk braiding; it is adorned at the top with the clan crest and has a square of leather on its left side designed to protect the armor from friction caused by archery.SODE (shoulder guards) with six tiers lacquered in glossy black and green, white, and orange silk braiding.SHASHIMON (battle standard) bifid, made of white silk edged with gold-colored leather; the shaft is made of wood lacquered black and inlaid with gold.KOTE (arm guards) made of chain mail and glossy black-lacquered iron plates.KUSAZURI (skirt) with five rows of glossy black lacquer and green and white silk braiding.HAIDATE (underskirt) made of padded fabric trimmed with glossy black-lacquered iron plates and chain mail, with a leather border.SUNEATE (leg guards) made of black-lacquered iron plates, chain mail, quilted fabric, and leather.Dimensions of the armor in a seated position: 129 x 40 x 48 cm.Sold with its display stand and its GUSOKU BITSU (transport chests) made of wood with metal reinforcements, textured black lacquer, and adorned with a clan crest.Additional photos and details available upon request.Notes: The fukura-suzume (???), or "plump sparrow," is a traditional Japanese motif depicting a sparrow with puffed-up plumage, resembling a small ball of feathers. In the symbolism associated with the samurai world, it embodies prosperity, good fortune, abundance, and longevity.