

Ancient Roman Gold Ring With A Nicolo Intaglio Of A Bearded Bacchus As A Herm.



5 200 EUR

Period: Before 16th century

Condition: Bon état

Description

A Roman ring with a nicolo intaglio featuring a bust of a bearded Bacchus as a herm.

The intaglio measures 1.4 x 1.1cm.

Ring size I 1/2 UK / 4.5 US (oval).

The intaglio is deeply carved to depict a profile of Bacchus, striking in the monochromatic appearance, the gem is set within a closed back setting. The band is a triple twisted rope form with granules and bead work upon the shoulders, typical of the 3rd to 4th Centuries AD. The patina is a deep yellow hue, demonstrating the high carat of gold, at least 18 carat.

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- For a similar example see the collection of the British Museum, museum number; 1869,0324.1

 $https://www.britishmuseum.org/collection/object/\\ H_1869-0324-1$

- A closely related ring can be found in the Aquincum Museum, Budapest, Inventory number; 51464

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