



## Commemorative Snuffbox Of The Battle Of Minden By Johann Heinrich Giese, Iserlohn A



620 EUR

Signature : Johann Heinrich Giese (1716-1761)

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Brass

Length : 16,5

Width : 5,2

Height : 3

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### Description

Snuffbox commemorating the Battle of Minden (August 1, 1759)

Copper and stamped brass

Johann Heinrich Giese (1716-1761)

Germany, Iserlohn, circa 1760

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L 16.5

P 5.2

H 3  
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On the lid, in the central medallion, the right profile of King Frederick II of Prussia, in uniform and wig, with the legend FRIDERICUS MAGNUS BORUSS[iae] REX [Frederick the Great King of Prussia]. In the upper cartouche, surmounted by a crowned eagle holding a laurel branch in its beak, the king at the head of his

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army leads the assault on the city. The legend  
FAMA INGENS / INGENTIOR ARMIS / VIRG.  
IN. XI. v. 124 [Great in fame, even greater in  
feats of arms] is taken from Virgil's Aeneid (XI,  
124). In the lower cartridge, the great arms of  
Prussia with the motto PRO GLORIA ET  
PATRIA.

On the bottom, in the central medallion, the  
three-quarter bust front portrait of the Duke of  
Brunswick Ferdinand, in hat and uniform, a cane  
in his right hand; below, in a separate cartridge,  
the legend FERDINANDUS / DUX /  
BRUNV[icensis] LUNEB[urgensia] /  
IMPERATOR EXERCITUUM /  
FOEDERAT[orum] SUMMUS [Ferdinand Duke  
of Brunswick-Lüneburg, Commander-in-Chief of  
the Allied Armies]. In the upper cartridge, the  
battle of Minden with the legend VICTORIA /  
FOEDERATORUM / GALLIS DEVICTIS /  
MINDAE / 1759, 1 Aug [Victory of the Allies,  
Defeat of the French at Minden, August 1, 1759].  
In the lower cartouche, the white horse of  
Hanover.

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The snuff box is signed twice:

- on the lid: IOH[annes] o HEN[ricus] / GIESE /  
FECIT / ISERLON;

- on the bottom: IH GIESE. ISERLON / FECIT

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Good general condition, very beautiful patina.

The bottom is more worn than the lid.

Hinge in good condition, the lid works perfectly.

A small shock at one end with small tears in the  
brass.

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Reference:

see the copy kept at the Metropolitan Museum in  
New York