



Martin Varnish Snuff Box With Gold Rim And Enamelled Miniature On Porcelain, Late 18th Century



980 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Gold

Diameter : 7,8 cm

Height : 2,9 cm

Description

Magnificent snuff box rimmed in gold. The box is round, covered with black Martin-style varnish. Rims highlight the lid, the base, the opening, and the miniature on the lid. This miniature is enameled on porcelain. It depicts a rural scene with a farmer and his child. In the background, a shepherd tends sheep. This fashion for rural landscapes at the end of the 18th century was part of a return to nature and the simple life, often fantasized. It was in this spirit that Marie-Antoinette had the Queen's Hamlet built at Versailles. The interior of the box is rimmed in tortoiseshell. The rims are not hallmarked but have been tested with 18-karat acid. Magnificent box richly adorned with gold, depicting a farm landscape in the style of the last decades of the Ancien Régime. 7.8 cm in diameter 2.9 cm in

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height 78.4 grams gross Good condition. Very slight deformation and glue marks on the rims. Scratches on the miniature. Hand-delivered in Paris or shipped by insured Colissimo. France: EUR15 Europe: EUR20 Worldwide: EUR35