

SA1049103

German Art Deco Louis
Kuppenheim gilt, silver and
enamel engine-turned cigarette
case

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1049103

Date of manufacture: 1920

Dimensions

Height = 8.8 cm (3.5")

Width = 9.4 cm (3.7")

Depth = 1.3 cm (0.5")

Description

Wonderful Art Deco German silver cigarette case by Louis Kuppenheim, one of the most renowned silversmiths of that period. Of square rounded form, with gold-washed interior; the exterior is engine-turned in a crisp and highly decorative geometric rhombus design and trimmed with Celtic-knot type borders. The upper half of the cigarette case is further embellished with a dark blue enamel border. The case has a great heavy feel to it and is a very sizeable piece. Maker: Louis Kuppenheim Origin: Pforzheim Date: c. 1920's Louis Kuppenheim, (1824-1889) founded his company together with Heinrich Witzemann in 1854 in Pforzheim, Germany. Three years later he continued on his own as 'Louis Kuppenheim' and became a renowned gold and silver boxmaker and smallworker in Germany in the early 20th century. It has been suggested that Kuppenheim made pieces for major brands, including Cartier and Boucheron and the firm focused mainly on small objects, such as smoking requisites (such as this example), stationery and vanity sets. Kuppenheim products were awarded a gold medal at the 1900 World Exhibition in Paris. At its height, the company employed over 200 craftsmen in their Pforzheim f...

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