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Antique Silver Snuff Box Depicting a Battle Between a Lion and a Mythological Beast

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1091851****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Description

This oval-shaped snuff box has a distinctly oriental origin. The animals depicted on the lid are typical of Persian art, often featured on items from the region. The floral motifs on the sides of the box also draw inspiration from Persian painting. Although there is no Persian hallmark on the box, it does bear a hallmark depicting a swan within an oval. This is a French hallmark, applied to foreign silverware with a silver content of at least 800. According to reference books: "The French swan mark indicates that the item meets a minimum silver standard of 800 and was produced in a non-treaty country. It serves as an import mark. The swan mark was used from 1893 until 1970." Based on the appearance of the box and the style of the imagery, it can be assumed that the box was crafted no later than the beginning of the 19th century. Dimensions: Width: 9 cm Depth: 6.4 cm Height: 3.7 cm Weight: 100.51 grams Condition: There are small scuffs on the bottom and top rims. Otherwise, the box is in excellent antique condition. Please examine the attached photos carefully as they are an integral part of this description. The item will be shipped with full tracking and insurance. Pleas...

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