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Ottoman/Balkan Silver-Inlaid
Miquelet Pistol – Late 18th to
Early 19th Century. Profusely
decorated with silver inlay.

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1176163****Date of manufacture: Georgian**

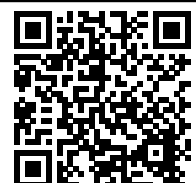
Description

A highly decorative and fully original Ottoman / Balkan flintlock knee pistol with the traditional Miquelet Lock and dating from around 1790–1820, beautifully inlaid with silver throughout the barrel, lock, and walnut stock. This fine example represents the superb craftsmanship of Balkan gunsmiths working under Ottoman influence at the turn of the 19th century, when such weapons served both as arms and as status symbols for nobility and regional leaders. Features: Calibre: Approximately .65 (smoothbore) Barrel: Long octagonal-to-round barrel richly inlaid with scrolling silver decoration, extending along the breech and muzzle areas. Lock: Traditional Miquelet flintlock mechanism with decorative engraving and silver inlay; original flintcock, frizzen, and pan all present. Stock: Finely figured walnut stock profusely decorated with silver wire scrollwork and floral motifs; terminating in an unusual, characteristically Balkan butt form, all original with lovely aged patina. Furniture: Trigger guard, sideplate, and ramrod pipes in brass; with ramrod. Maker's Mark: Distinct circular struck mark at the breech, showing a three-lobed floral / tughra motif surrounded by de...

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