



**GOLD SNUFFBOX.  
LOUIS XVI PERIOD.**

Oval snuff box featuring green, yellow, and pink gold. The hinged lid is decorated with a central medallion featuring two doves in a cloud with a rising sun behind them. The doves, a symbol of love and of Venus in particular, are set on a matte gold background. The medallion is framed with both a spiraling and a "barley grain" motif. The border of the lid is highlighted with two friezes: a frieze of acanthus leaves in green gold set on a matte gold background, and a frieze of stylized laurel leaves on a matte gold background. The body is made of eight panels: four horizontal panels with angled corners and an intricate geometric design, and four vertical panels decorated with columns and garlands. A spiraling frieze underscores the bottom of the box.

Weight: 1.9 oz (54 g)

L: 2.2 in (5.5 cm) / W: 1.8 in (4.5 cm) / H: 0.9 in (2.2 cm)

Guarantee mark: Jean Baptiste Fouache, 1775-1781

Charge mark: Crowned P, 1778.

Release mark: Tête de singe (Monkey head) 1775-1781

Master goldsmith mark: illegible.

Work from the Louis XVI period.

Price: 7900€

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