



A 18th century gold cage work mounted bloodstone egg .

A hinged bloodstone egg within gold pierced leafy scrolls inhabited by birds, the rim with enamel motto "Dieu vous benit", rose diamond pushpiece.

This type of egg was usually used as a prestigious case to house a piece of jewelry or a watch and, that would be presented as a gift for a special event. Occasionally these would contain other small items like toiletries or sewing kits.

A similarly mounted hardstone egg with the same motto, is in the James A. de Rothschild Collection at Waddesdon Manor.

D: 1.33in. (3,5 cm)

W:2.32oz (65,91g)

Price: 11900€

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