

A SWISS ENAMELLED GOLD SNUFF-BOX FOR THE ORIENTAL MARKET

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Materials: gold, enamel.

Dim: W 5,6 cm/ D 3,6 cm/ H 1,5 cm.

Weight: 64 g.

Gold mark 18K

Tunisian census marks: Tunis 1904.

Rectangular and scalloped snuff box in gold and fine stones. The hinged lid is decorated in the center with a naval scene; Steamboat; standing out against a translucent and opalescent background revealing a fine guilloche pattern. This scene is framed by flower motifs whose hearts are set with stones: rubies, emeralds and old cut diamonds. The scalloped box is adorned with a fine guilloche pattern with fine foliage in the corners. The base is carved with a scene representing in its center a maritime landscape bordered by palm trees. This scene is framed by motis of stylized flowers on an amati background. Swiss work for the oriental market. Circa 1820-1830.