



Gold Candy box with miniature, French Restauration

Era: early 19th century.

Materials: gold, tortoiseshell, painting.

Dim: D 3.8in. (9,8 cm)/ H 0.78in. (2 cm).

Weight: 4.5oz (128g).

Bear head (1795-1797).

Bull (1819-1838).

Goldsmith: J.L.

Circular or candy box in tortoiseshell and gold. The removable cover is decorated with a miniature on ivory depicting a battle scene and in particular a load of horsemen. In the foreground soldiers are shown stretched out near a neighing horse. It is a cavalry fight. This scene is probably inspired by the art of Joseph Parrocel at the end of the 17th century. The miniature is protected by a curved glass surrounded by gold. The entourage has a decor of a frieze of foliage on a background of Amati gold. The inside of the box is fully lined with gold.