

Hand mirror - with leather box

Metalwork Collection

Accession Nr.: E 72.2 

Date of production: 17th century

Place of production: Turkey (Ottoman Empire)

Materials: flame-gilt silver; mirror; nephrite; paper; turquoise

Techniques: chased; mounted

Dimensions: length: 49,7 cm
width: 18,5 cm
length: 45 cm
width: 25 cm

The elegant round mirror has a silver-gilt frame adorned with semi-precious stones, the back flat chased and engraved. Two serpent-shaped projections from the slender handle provide additional support to the mirror itself. We should probably identify this with a Turkish mirror with turquoises that appeared in the 1642 inventory of Erzsébet Thurzó's property at Fraknó, made after her death, and was also mentioned in Pál Esterházy's will of 1685 - "a mirror with turquoises, which used to belong to the vizier of Buda".

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