Velt-Schalmey

Date

1690 ca.

Primary Maker

Richard Haka

Description

Boxwood with brass rings and decorative fontanelle. The Velt-Schalmey, often called Deutsche Schalmey, were made during the late 18th century in Germany and, as in this example, in Amsterdam. Compared to the older shawms, these instruments had a sleeker design, narrower bores, and a sweeter, more restrained sound. Eventually they were replaced by the newer oboe, which was more expressive and could play in a wider range of keys. Richard Haka was the founder of the renowned Amsterdam school of woodwind instrument-making. His apprentices included Coenraad Rijkel, Abraham van Aardenberg, and Jan Steenbergen.

Dimensions

Length without pirouette: 621 mm Length with pirouette: 655 mm



