

Firearms and Edged Weapons / Tuesday, 14th May 2024 / Lot 4001



LOT 4001

A 19th century Japanese katana with curved single-edged blade, blade length 58cm, the tang signed to one side, and lacquer bark-effect grip, with similarly covered wood scabbard (split to grip), together with another 19th/early 20th century Japanese sword with straight single-edged blade, blade length 55cm, the tang unsigned, and lacquer bark-effect grip, with similarly covered scabbard (overall losses to covering).

Estimate: £150 - £250

Condition Report

4001. Japanese katana - blade edge a little uneven in places. Some old rust patches, cleaned and not active. Evidence of some re-grinding at point and some way down from tip. Tang shows heavy rust signs, signature still visible, some active rust. Scabbard and hilt are untouched, however losses to lacquer work, splits, end cap lacking.

Other sword - more discoloured old rust (evidence of cleaning back), edge nicks and minor loss. Tang rusted, some still active.

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