



Envelope-shaped snuffbox

Origin date	late 18th century
Origin place	French (?), German (?)
Material	copper
Technique	enamelled, gilded
Sizes	magasság: 1,8 cm szélesség: 6,3 cm hosszúság: 8,2 cm
Inscription	À Madame, Madame de Tillau, femme de chambre de Madame la Duchesse d'Aubépine, à Padoue. A belső felirat: À quoy songez vous Marions, marions nous.
Inventory No.	55.202.1



Description

Envelope-shaped box imitating a sealed letter. White enamel on copper with gilt-metal mounts. The exterior bears a French address to Madame de Tillau, femme de chambre to Madame la Duchesse d'Aubépine, in Padua; the reverse is painted with an imitation red wax seal and the number "No. 21". The interior bears the playful French inscription: "À quoy songez-vous ? Marions, marions-nous." Continental, probably German or Austrian, in the tradition of Meissen sealed-letter boxes, second half of the 18th century.

Provenance

San Marco-Nákó gyűjtemény (757)

