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Bronze Age European Sword

An ancient Bronze Age European sword with a long tapered double edged blade, the hilt and blade being joined together with rivets, with a semicircular cross guard and round pommel.

Late Bronze Age, Central Europe.
Ca. 1200 - 900 BC.
Length: 26 3/4 in. (68 cm).



The inhabitants of Central Europe from Gaul to the Danube Basin in the second millennium BC coalesced into a culture identified in the archaeological record by large well defined cemeteries containing numerous cremation burials contained in cinerary urns. The graves were often accompanied by bronze tools and ornaments. The wealthiest burials were those of warriors and princes, often containing finely made bronze swords, spears, and adornments.

Formerly in the Kuizenga collection, The Netherlands, acquired in 1980.

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