

	Object:	Prick spur
	Museum:	Museum Ulm Marktplatz 9 89073 Ulm (0731) 161-4330 info.museum@ulm.de
	Collection:	Project for the reappraisal of the collections from colonial contexts
	Inventory number:	1923.5196α

Description

Prick spur from iron with a long, pointed spike at whose base a disc is located. The spur has a U-shaped frame. The strap for the fastening of the foot is on the one hand fixed on the ends of the frame and on the other hand pulled through a flat loop in the heel area. The strap consists of leather and has a buckle on one side. On the strap, there are ornamental lines sewed on with a red thread and one part of it is covered with a red fringe. On the prick, the disc and the loop are remains of geometric ornaments.

This is a typical form of a spur as it was used in Arabic countries. Probably the object comes from North Africa, maybe Morocco or Algeria. The exact origin is not cleared.

The object was a gift from General Richard Erlenbusch (1863 - 1937) to the Gewerbemuseum Ulm (Museum of Applied Arts) in 1923. Over a number of years, Erlenbusch committed different bundles as gifts or loans to the Gewerbemuseum. The bundles contained especially military items, which he obtained probably during his combat missions in the First World War i. a. in France and Italy. From where he obtained the non-European objects is not clear. However, these came into the museum's collection after Erlenbusch finished his military career (1920 and 1923).

Basic data

Material/Technique:	Iron, textile, leather
Measurements:	L 28 cm, B 9 cm

Events

Created	When	1800-1923
	Who	
	Where	Arab world
Owned	When	Until 1923
	Who	Richard Erlenbusch (1863-1937)
	Where	
[Relationship to location]	When	
	Who	
	Where	Orient
[Relation to person or institution]	When	
	Who	Gewerbemuseum Ulm
	Where	

Keywords

- Koloniale Kontexte
- Militaria
- Spur