

Broadsword (Bilbo)

Date
1700s

Primary Maker
Heinrich Col

Medium
steel, wood and brass

Description
Steel double-edge flattened hexagonal section wide blade tapering gently to spatulate point. Hollow-ground on both forte faces. Asymmetrical bivalve iron shell curving toward guard, screwed to butterfly-shaped base plate of large arms of the hilt. Crossguard recurved in plane of blade with balustered teminals. Curved knuckle guard balustered at mid-height with similar terminal. Swollen pommel tapering to stout base. Wooden grip wrapped in braided copper wire & reinforced by iron strips on faces.

Dimensions
110 x 92.5 x 3.5 x 15 cm (43 5/16 x 36 7/16 x 1 3/8 x 5 7/8 in.), 2 lb, 8 oz (weight)



