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## **A RARE PAIR OF A CELESTIAL GLOBE AND ARMILLARY SPHERE**

**[A miniature armillary sphere and celestial globe]**

**Author**

LOYSEL

**Publication date**

1787

**Publisher**

**Publication place**

Paris,

### **Physical description**

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### **Dimensions**

### **Notes**

A rare pair of a celestial globe and a Ptolemaic armillary sphere by Loysel, of whom very little is known. He appeared to have also produced a terrestrial globe, as shown in the catalogue "The world in your hands".

### **Bibliography**

### **Provenance**

### **Price:**

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