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## LOT 4040

A fine Japanese naginata, Edo period. the curved single-edged blade with fine even hamon, blade length 43cm, fine deep-grooved and formed horimono, curved part-length shinogi and fine ko-shinogi tip, the signed tang fitted to a full-length lacquer-finished shaft with shaped copper mounts and cord binding, detailed with gilt-decorated three-headed plant-form mon, and pierced steel hirimaki terminal, overall length 239cm, the blade with lacquered wood scabbard, detailed to both sides with the same mon. Provenance: the collection of the late Roald Knutsen (1933-2025).

Estimate: £300 - £400

## Condition Report

4040. Blade/head may have been refinished but a long time ago, some areas of rust pitting but very small. Lacquer shaft appears generally untouched but does have minor marks and bruising, as you would expect. Split to shaft below upper collar mount approx 5cm in length.

Hirimaki terminal has some active rust present.

Saya has bumps and scuffs probably from storage or removal. Some splits forming along joining seam, with some damage that has been poorly glued a long time ago.

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