



Lumbu Ancestor Statue - Gabon



1 800 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : état d'usage

Description

Beautiful and large statue of an ancestor for LUMBU ritual use from Gabon measuring 54cm high, it was made of soft wood and had been coated with reddish paint, black for the hat and white for the torso and forehead. It represents a character female with apparent sexual attributes. She holds in her hands the remains of bird feathers. Mirrors are embedded in her eyes. A similar work is reproduced in "Punu visions of Africa" by Mr Perrois and Mrs Charlotte Grand-Dufay. Collection of the Smithsonian in Washington. It is said in this work that among the Lumbu, all the statuettes are female, some are used for ancestor worship and others for healing or divination rites. The headdress is also with visor and the ventral scarifications are identical. Beautiful collector's item.

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