



## Mama Statue, Mangam Kantana From Nigeria



1 600 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Pieds rognés

Description
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Beautiful and old bisexual sculpture in medium-heavy patinated wood from Nigeria called MAMA, MANGAM, this type of statue was used for healings of the disease. It has a very beautiful and thick crusty patina and one can distinguish the remains of a color underneath reddish. In the hairstyle and the collar around the neck are encrusted with red seeds called 'Abrus' or "Pau Brasil" used as currency. Despite the pronounced male sex, this statuette has a tight chest as well as a sculpted female sex between the two breasts (It is quite common in West and Central Africa to represent characters with both sexes). The wear of use and the patina in shiny places attests to the significant handling it has undergone. The base of the feet is eroded. Beautiful and rare collector's item.

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