



Important Fô ?? Dog Holding A Canton Ball, Japan, 1930, Early Showa Era



2 950 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Très bon état

Length : 42 cm

Width : 19 cm

Height : 33 cm

Depth : poids environ 8 kgs

Description

"Important Shi-shi from Japan, temple guardian lion (handwritten dedication under the belly) in lacquered cast iron, beginning of the Showa era, 1930 period"

Large Shi-shi or koma-inu (lion dog) from Japan with a beautiful handwritten gold-colored dedication under the belly, the object in cast iron lacquered in bronze color. Scratches, small oxidations.

The sphere is removable from the set.

The Shisa, also known as ?? shi-shi "lion", originates from Okinawa. It is found near torii, Shinto shrines.

They were mostly in pairs. Its name translates to "Korean Visiting Dogs".

The large models were outside, the small ones in the sanctuaries. Designed to ward off evil spirits,

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the pairs of komainu are almost identical, but one has its mouth open, the other closed.

The female, with her mouth closed, retains good spirits.

The male, with an open mouth, scares away evil spirits.

The origin of Shi-shi is Chinese. Important: Its interesting particularity is the dedication under the belly.

This is a worship sculpture, not a decorative export production.

Dimensions: Height: 33 cm, length: 42 cm, width: 201 cm

The Showa era is the period in Japanese history when Emperor Showa reigned over the country.

It begins on December 25, 1926 and ends on January 7, 1989. It is also the Japanese era that follows the Taisho era and precedes the Heisei era.

It was the longest reign of any Japanese emperor

Canton balls, or Chinese balls, are concentric hollow spheres made from a single mother ball.

These unusual objects have always aroused wonder for their complex beauty, and perplexity as to how to achieve them.

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Sculpture in two elements, the dog is placed on the ball.

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