



Statue Of Saint-denis Cephalophore In Wood, Late XVI Early XVII



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Period : 17th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Solid wood

Height : 70 cm

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| Description |
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Finely carved wooden statue (old traces of polychrome) representing Saint-Denis* holding his head in his hands, from the late 16th-early 17th century. One arm is missing This statue is in good general condition, Cracks and wear of the wood, take a good look at the photos. *Denis of Paris or Saint Denis (Dionysius) Came from Italy around 250 or 270 AD with six companions to evangelize France, would have been the first bishop of Paris (Lutèce), the apostle of the Gauls. Saint Denis founded several churches in France, and was martyred with Rustique and Éleuthère, his companions, around 272, during the persecution of Valérien. It was, according to some, in Montmartre (mons Martyrum) or on the Ile de la Cité, according to others, that they were put to death. According to the Lives of Saint

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Denis, written in the Carolingian era, decapitated, Denis would have walked north for six kilometers, his head under his arm, crossing Montmartre by the path which will be named rue des Martyrs. At the end of his journey, he gave his head to a pious woman from Roman nobility named Catulla, then collapsed. He was buried at this exact spot and a basilica was built there in his honor. The town is now called Saint-Denis.

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