



Vuvi Hut Door From Gabon



5 000 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Solid wood

Description

A superb, rare, and antique sacred hut door from the Vuvi people of Gabon. Dimensions: 115 cm high by 53 cm wide. Features geometric decoration with a stylized figure. Shows signs of indigenous repairs, attesting to the significance this sacred door held. A similar door appears in the Mazenod volume (page 425; specifically, a door in the Metropolitan Museum of Art's collection--see photo). Among the Vuvi-Sago of Gabon, designs are predominantly abstract and geometric; doors featuring figurative human representations--like this one--are rare. The total number of such doors is quite limited. Traces of reddish pigment remain in the center. Dark patina; the wood shows erosion at the base. A previous owner attached gongs to it--presumably for use--which I have left in place. Free

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