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Sword Mandau For Kids - Dayak Culture, Island Of Borneo, Indonesia - First Half Of The 20th Century



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Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Other

Description

MANDAU SWORD for kids

Dayak culture, island of Borneo, Indonesia

First half of the 20th century

Steel, plant fibre, antler, skin

Total length: 52.5 cm; Blade length: 38 cm

Single-edged steel blade with oblique tip.

The handle, known as an ulu, is hollowed out and carved with openwork floral motifs, depicting a zoomorphic head.

A section of braided ligatures, trimmed with a skin yoke, completes the fuse.

Today, mandau are associated with head-hunting ceremonies. They are both a weapon and a symbol of prestige. They belonged to hunters and warriors, handed down from generation to

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generation. It is said that these weapons were endowed with supernatural powers. The spirit was planted in a hair, placed on the hilt of the sword. The sacred combination of the mandau is amplified by the combination of the materials of the cloth and the antler.

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