



Small Debira Pendant - Gan Culture, Burkina Faso - 19th Century



380 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Other

Description

Small DEBIRA PENDANT showing TWO INTERLACED SERPENTS on which is seated an ANTHROPOMORPHIC CHARACTER.

Suspension ring on reverse.

Gan culture, Burkina Faso 19th century

Copper alloy

H. 13.3 cm, L 3.1 cm

Debira pendants are the plastic, miniature expression of the Torfan - a spiritual entity that can manifest itself in many forms, such as snake, tortoise, chameleon, panther or caiman. Its representations can vary, and fetishes can have from one to ten heads.

A protective figure, it keeps evil spirits away from people and livestock, and favours harvests and hunting.

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