



Pair Of Boar Tusks Bracelets Currency Of Exchange Vanuatu Oceania Primitive Art

1 800 EUR



Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Other

Length : 42 cm

Diameter : 12 cm

Description

Pair of boar teeth bracelets Currency Vanuatu

Long 42 cm _____Lenght 42 cm

Diameter 12 cm _____Diameter 12cm

Inner diameter 7.5 cm _____Inner diameter
7 cm

These teeth are used as currency. These ornaments are worn as bracelets and pectorals. They have great symbolic and sacred value. The pig is at the heart of Vanuatu's traditional social system. Raised with the aim of obtaining this rare tooth which is exchanged for a promotion of rank or to be initiated into the secrets or even to marry, to pay a debt...The rank system makes it possible to increase the power of the world of living and influence in that of the dead. The person is authorized to wear the

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elements of adornment corresponding to his rank.

The curved Verrat tooth is one of the emblems of Vanuatu.

It appears on its national flag