



## Mawana Hiti Zaramo,kwere Tanzania



650 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Solid wood

Height : 16,5 cm

### Description

beautiful Mwana hiti ,Zaramo,Kwere doll  
Tanzania

nice patina the doll has eyes and mouth which  
give her a nice expression

#### Provenance

Pierre Darteville Belgium collected during his  
trips in tanzania in the 70 ties 80 ties

Emmanuel Dehan Belgium

Fertility statue from Tanzania It features a woman  
represented in a very abstract form. The head is  
dominated by the hairstyle which is depicted as  
an arc shape | The thick neck rests on flat  
shoulders and the body is column shaped with  
breasts and navel. The waist is shown as a small  
flared base. Known as Mwana Hiti, meaning  
"child of the wood", these figures were prepared  
by ritual specialists to be given to a child during

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their initiation ritual. The function of the figure was to protect the child so that he reached maturity and became fertile in order to have healthy children. The child was supposed to care for her doll as if it were a real baby, thus preparing her for the task of real motherhood.