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## Mediterranean Basin Oil Lamp Reflector, Roman Period, 100 Bc To 100 Ad



190 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Terracotta

Width : 9 cm

Height : 8,5 cm

### Description

Triangular oil lamp reflector, modeled in relief with the bust of the god Serapis wearing a calathos crown, surrounded by solar rays. This representation, associating abundance and light, illustrates the syncretic role of Serapis between Greek and Egyptian traditions. Beige and orange terracotta, a small scratch on its crown, marks of time. Mediterranean Basin, Roman Period, 100 BC to 100 AD Dimensions: 8.5 x 9 cm (Sold without base) Provenance: collection of a former Parisian expert in archeology, constituted in the 1970s/80s. Sold with invoice and certificate of authenticity from the expert Serge Reynes. \* Shipping costs on estimate "The god Serapis, central figure of the Greco-Egyptian pantheon, is often represented with the calathos, a cylindrical crown symbolizing abundance and fertility. In

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this representation, the addition of the sun's rays around his head also reflects his association with Helios, the sun god. This iconographic fusion highlights his role as a benevolent and luminous divinity". This lamp reflector was used to diffuse light while invoking the protection and prosperity of Serapis.