



## Old Mossi Ceremonial Flute Burkina Faso - 20th Century



129 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Solid wood

Length : 51,5 cm

Width : 6 cm

### Description

Rare Long and elegant ceremonial flute, emblematic of the Mossi musical traditions of Burkina Faso. This instrument has a hole at its end, a leather ring on the upper part, and a V-shaped opening accompanied by a protrusion. This one, probably hollowed out in its heart, acts as a resonance barrel amplifying the rich and vibrant tones of the flute. Its imposing size and its refined lines reflect ancestral know-how. Dimensions: Height: 51.5 cm, width: 6 cm. Mossi, Burkina Faso, first half of the 20th century. Former Dufourcq Bideau collection, Pau, constituted in the 70s-80s. Sold with certificate of authenticity from the expert Serge Reynes. Guarantee of origin and period. This ceremonial flute of the Mossi, people of the great plains of Burkina Faso, embodies the voice of oral

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traditions and musical rituals. Long and majestic, its honey-colored patina, polished by time and the hands of initiates, tells stories of masked dances and sacred ceremonies where rhythm and melody weave links between the visible and invisible worlds. The finely crafted outgrowth, serving as a resonance barrel, sublimates the tones emanating from this unique instrument. Associated with balafons and drums, this flute played an essential role in the orchestration of rites, translating in each note the spiritual power and musical heritage of the Mossi. Offering a subtle balance between aesthetics and acoustics, this flute is much more than an instrument: it is a vibrant testimony to a civilization where sound art meets the sacred.