



Roman Marble Fragment : Hand Holding A Patera



550 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Marble

Description

Roman marble fragment : hand holding a patera. Rome, 3rd century. 76 x 51 mm. 97.50 g. Modern wooden base. The most common liturgical gesture is the libation, which consists of pouring "on the ground, or on an altar, or on a sacred stone, all or part of the contents of a phiale (or, in Latin, a patera) containing wine, milk, water, or even oil". (Veyne Paul. "Images of divinities holding a phiale or patera". In: *Mètis. Anthropologie des mondes grecs anciens*, vol. 5, n°1-2, 1990. pp. 17-30.) Good quality marble, with fine crystals. Provenance: Private collection, south of France, 1980s.

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