



Polished Coco De Mer On Stand



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Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Solid wood

Length : 27

Height : 40

Depth : 15

Description

The coco de mer is the palm tree with the largest coconuts in the world. It only grows on the Seychelles islands of Curieuse and Praslin. The coco de mer's growing location was only discovered in 1768 by a French expedition. Before then, nothing was known about its origin. A common misconception was that it came from an unknown palm tree growing in the sea, hence the name Coco de Mer. This fruit, with its still somewhat erotic shape, was already attributed to a woman's rump in its scientific name. *Lodoicea callipige*, whose species designation *cally-pige* means beautiful rump in ancient Greek. The coco de mer is a rare protected species, classified as "endangered" on the IUCN Red List since 2007. As it is no longer permitted to be exported from the Seychelles, it is highly sought after and

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difficult to find in Europe. This specimen is polished, hence its shine. Small hole in the bottom. Dimensions: 30H x 27W x 15D With stand: 40H x 15D x 27W Translated with DeepL.com (free version)