Dance Costume Element, Tribal Art, Oceanic Art, Papua New Guinea, Oceania



750 EUR

Period : 21st century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Other

Width : 21 cm

Height : 108 cm

Description

Dance costume accessory made of braided plant fibers, cassowary feathers, shells, and pig teeth. Collected in Blackwater area in Papua New Guinea. This accessory represents a crocodile tail and was part of a huge costume performed by several dancers during an initiation ceremony. The crocodile is a totemic animal present in many founding myths, a prodigious animal, and a symbol of supreme power. Pig teeth are a symbol of prosperity. Unique piece sold with a presentation base. Approx. 108 x 21 cm / EUR750 including base and shipping.

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