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Bamiléké Beaded Mask. Dense Wood, Beads, And Cowrie Shells. 20th Century. Cameroon, Grassland



270 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Description

Bamiléké beaded mask Dense wood, beads and cowrie shells. 20th century. Cameroon, Grassland region, Bamiléké ethnic group Approx. 45 x 28 cm - EUR270 - The Bamiléké ethnic group has developed a unique know-how on the African continent: the art of using beads. These are woven on a fabric that follows the shapes of the wood, which is very dense and hard. These masks are very heavy and offer a jovial physiognomy, accentuated by the colors of the beads, the chin here decorated with cowrie shells, each color being charged with a particular symbolism, in relation to the different chiefdoms. This type of mask is worn on the top of the head, forcing the dancer to look at the ground during his movements.

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