



Teke Male Statue With Magical Charge Nkira Ntadi



800 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Solid wood

Length : 6

Width : 6

Height : 27

Description

This male Teke statue, of the nkira ntadi type, is armless, which emphasizes the cylindrical trunk, hollowed out to accommodate a magical charge (bilongo). The stylized face is adorned with regular vertical furrows, typical of the Teke aesthetic, and a small sculpted goatee, a mark of masculinity and wisdom. The figure, used in protective, judicial, or medicinal contexts, served as a spiritual support for diviners or chiefs. It embodies both the presence of ancestors and the invisible force necessary to maintain social order in the community.

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