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Khmer Buddhist Bronze Ritual Bell, Dated Eb 2397 / Ad 1854, Cambodia, 19th Century



480 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Bronze

Height : 20 cm

Description

A finely cast Cambodian (Khmer) bronze Buddhist ritual bell with deep, untouched patina. The baluster handle is surmounted by a squatting guardian figure--arms crossed over the knees, wearing a crown and earrings--seated upon a lotus base. The bell shoulder carries a scrolling decorative band, and the original clapper is preserved. Around the lower body runs a hand-cut Khmer inscription. The numerals read ??? (Buddhist Era 2397), corresponding to A.D. 1854. The adjacent letters are the remains of a donor or temple dedication (partially rubbed). Such inscribed bells were temple offerings, their resonant sound used to accompany prayers and dispel negative energies. Bronze with dark brown/black patina. Height 20 cm. Cambodia (Khmer), mid-19th century (B.E. 2397 =

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1854)Condition: age-consistent wear; minor abrasions and encrustation; inscription partly rubbed; clapper present and functionalA dated and authentic example of Khmer Buddhist ritual art, both sculptural and epigraphic.SOLD WITH A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITYIt is possible to pay in installments.On parle français. Wij spreken NederlandsIf you have any questions do not hesitate to call me 0678679716 or email tdixonfrance@yahoo.co.ukFrais de port inclus pour la France. Shipping included in the price for FRANCE.Price does not include international shipping. Please contact me for a shipping quote. I am happy to combine shipping costs if you buy more than one item to save you money.Please note that I ship all items insured priority mail with tracking.I am an Englishman living down in the beautiful rural South of France and spend my days searching the little brocantes, flea markets, and shops for treasures. Any questions will be answered promptly. MONEY BACK WITHOUT QUESTION IF I MISREPRESENT SOMETHING IN ANY WAY.I want YOU to be happy at the end of the day, so buy with confidence. I take a great deal of care packing - I have a proven track record of selling high value, fragile items that arrive safely worldwide.Payment- Credit Cards via PayPal. Cheque or Bank transfer. Other payment methods are available please ask.