



## Japanese Amida Buddha Head In Carved Wood - Japan



850 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Solid wood

Width : 20

Height : 28

Depth : 16

### Description

Large carved wooden head of Buddha Amida with old traces of coating and paint. A crack related to the age of the piece has formed. Japan, Meiji era (19th century), 28 x 20 x 16 cm. Amida is the Sino-Japanese form of the Sanskrit Amitayus ("Eternal Life") and Amitabha ("Eternal Light"). The "Buddha" Amida is the monk Dharmakara who, refusing Buddhahood until all humanity was saved, voluntarily stopped on the path to enlightenment to help his fellow men. Unlike the development of the esoteric Tendai and Shingon sects, which flourished in the Heian period (794-1192), belief in Amida and the veneration he received were popular phenomena, developed on a large scale in Japan during the Kamakura period (1185 or 1192-1333).

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