



Yoruba Ibeji Couple, Nigeria, Wood And Pigment, Mid-20th Century



860 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Solid wood

Width : 7 cm

Height : 28 cm

Depth : 8 cm

Description

A pair of hand-carved Yoruba twin figures (Ibeji) from Nigeria, dating from the mid-20th century. These figures embody the rich cultural and spiritual tradition of the Yoruba people, for whom twins are considered sacred and honored through such representations intended to protect their souls. Carved from wood and adorned with beaded necklaces and waist ornaments, the male and female pair feature strong geometric forms, expressive features, and fine scarification markings emphasizing identity and status. Their elongated headdresses and stylized proportions give them a commanding yet intimate presence, combining artistry with profound symbolism. These figures carry a powerful historical and ritualistic charge, making them not only fascinating decorative objects but also authentic

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