



Kapala From Tibet, 19th Century



750 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bone

Length : 16 cm

Width : 13 cm

Height : 7 cm

Description

Kapala (Ritual Cup) This ritual vessel, fashioned from a skull cap, is adorned with coral and turquoise beads. An old metal restoration runs through the center of the skull, testifying to its prolonged use. The rim bears an old break, polished by repeated gripping, which served as a fulcrum. The exterior surface displays a rich patina of use, while the interior retains a dry patina. In Tibetan Tantric Buddhism, the kapala is a ritual object intended to contain symbolic offerings--milk, wine, or grain paste representing blood and flesh--offered to wrathful wisdom deities. Tibet, 19th century - Fine condition. Formerly in the Hippolyte and Gabriel Jouveau Dubreuil

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