16th Italian Renaissance Pietra Serena Greyhound Sculpture



6 000 EUR

Period : 16th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Stone

Width : 70

Height : 45

Depth : 30

Description

16th century Florentine sculptor, greyhound in pietra serena.This fascinating sculpture, which has come down to us in fragmentary form, depicts a dog, an elegant crouching greyhound, its head raised in a threatening bark. The exquisite execution bears witness to the hand of a sculptor of great skill, working in the first half of the 16th century in Florence.The pietra serena is an indigenous Tuscan stone that was quarried on the hills above Florence, precisely in Fiesole. For centuries observed in the form of architectural elements, in 15th century Florence it was chosen as the material to be fashioned into the sinuous forms of sculpture. Its compactness and the homogeneity of the materials, together with the characteristic chromaticism contribute to making the sculptural effect particularly elegant and

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delicate, so much so that it lends itself to interesting compositional experiments in the expert hands of sculptors such as Donatello. , Geri and Desiderio da Settignano. They are the ones who show the city, which is getting to know the pietra serena through the revolutionary architectures of Filippo Brunelleschi, how it can also contain vigorous animal forms, living pictures of life-size figures, soft profiles of women and of children.The gray stone gives the animal a new majesty, vitality and solemn elegance thanks to the expressiveness of the face.Splendid century-old patina intact.The sculpture comes from a Tuscan castle, which for a long time housed a famous collection of pietra Serena statues in its halls.MeasuresW cm 70D cm 30Height cm 45+++SHIPPING according to destination: Trusted EU carrier MBE in custom-made wooden crate mounted on a pallet with TNT/FedEx Payment methods: Bank transfer - Online credit card (also AMEX) - PayPal (+3.7%) - NO checks ++