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## Early Chinese Gilt-wood Temple Figure Of A Seated Civil Official On Stepped Plinth, South China



6 000 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Gilted wood

Length : 21 cm

Width : 23 cm

Height : 43 cm

### Description

A rare and visually commanding Chinese temple sculpture dating from the mid-17th century, carved in the round and retaining its original polychrome surface. The figure, wearing a civil cap and long gilded robes, is seated upon a yoke-back throne above a cloud-mask apron and stylised shishi lions. The surface displays dense black-line floral decoration over gold leaf and red lacquer, typical of southern altarpiece production of the period.

The stepped plinth is constructed from joined end-grain billets, a hallmark of early craftsmanship. Heavy and stable, this work exhibits deep patination and clear devotional use.

### Measurements

Height: 43 cm / 16.9''

Width: 23 cm / 9.1''

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Depth: 21 cm / 8.3''

Weight: 3.809 kg

Condition

Stable, with age checks, small chips and minor gilt wear. Worm to base only. Unrestored, richly patinated surface with authentic temple character.

Shipping & Packaging

Fully tracked and insured delivery.

Professional packaging with careful handling.

Recycled materials used where possible.

Please study all photographs as they form part of the description.

Questions are welcome.