



Fulani Bracelet, Niger, Mali, 19th Century.



120 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Brass

Width : 10 cm

Height : 9 cm

Description

Bracelet ending in two ovoid protrusions, engraved with linear almond and dotted geometric patterns. Brass, patinated by time and use. Fulani, Niger, Mali, 19th century.

Dimensions: 10 × 9 cm. Provenance: former Parisian collection. Sold with invoice from the Ocarina gallery and certificate of authenticity from expert Serge Reynes. Guarantee of origin and period. "This bracelet is part of the ornamental tradition of the Fulani people of the central Sahel. Worn on the wrist, it could also be attached to the hair as a headdress ornament and used as a counterweight to stabilize the hairstyle, a practice attested among Songhai women integrated into Fulani cultural circles. It also served as currency in matrimonial transactions, where this type of bracelet could be included in

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the dowry and facilitate the acquisition of goods or services related to the alliance." Bibliography: André Blandin, *West Africa, Bronzes and Other Alloys*, Balder Publishers, Louvain, 1988, p. 14, fig. 1 (similar bracelet). \* Shipping costs upon request.