



## Figure Of Krishna As A Child, 19th Century India



170 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 7 cm

Height : 6 cm

### Description

Figure of Krishna as a Child, India. Small bronze figure depicting Krishna as a child on all fours, his body thrust forward in a dynamic pose typical of Bala-Krishna. The head, with its delicately modeled features, wears a tiered headdress in the shape of a small stupa. Each hand holds a ball: one raised forward, the other pointing towards the ground. Beneath the torso, a discreetly engraved geometric shape suggests a workshop mark or a votive symbol. The rounded volumes, the compact posture, and the gentle frontality give the figure a calm and compact presence. Bronze, patina of age and use. India, 19th century. Dimensions:  $6 \times 7 \times 3.2$  cm. Provenance: Collection of the artist Geoffrey Kay, Salford (UK). Sold with an invoice from Galerie Ocarina and a certificate of authenticity from the expert

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Serge Reynes. "In Hindu tradition, this figure of Krishna as a child -- Bala-Krishna or Makhan Chor, "the butter thief" -- embodies divine innocence, abundance, and domestic protection. The balls held in his hands refer to the butter stolen by the young god, a gesture that became a symbol of affection and closeness between Krishna and his followers. Such effigies were placed in domestic altars, where they received offerings and anointings to attract prosperity and goodwill."