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Songye Ceremonial Axe



475 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Oil painting on wood

Length : 45 cm

Width : 22 cm

Depth : 4 cm

Description

Songye ceremonial axeThis axe is also known as a kilonda and is not an everyday tool but a potent symbol of power and prestigeThe axes served as royal scepters or insignia of high office for chiefs and titled members of the king's court. They symbolized the owner's authority and control over significant aspects of society, such as ironworking, a craft rich in both practical and supernatural significance in the region.This axe was made by the Nsapo subgroup of the Songye people who were particularly known as skilled blacksmiths who produced these elaborate ceremonial weapons. 22 cm wide, 4 cm dee and 45 cm longLate 19th century African tribal art from the Democratic Republic of Congo

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