



Ancient Indian Temple Toy Elephant With Mahout And Goad On Wheels, 19th Century



225 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Brass

Height : 16.5 cm

Description

Antique Indian cast brass temple toy in the form of an elephant mounted on four wheels and ridden by a mahout holding an ankusha (elephant goad). The elephant is shown caparisoned, with applied decorative bosses and stylised motifs across the head and body. The rider, seated upright, holds the traditional goad used to guide the animal, a detail that adds both charm and ethnographic accuracy to the piece. Such wheeled figures are commonly referred to as "temple toys" and are associated with ritual and ceremonial use, as well as domestic devotional contexts. They could be pulled during processions or kept as symbolic objects within the home or shrine. The piece is cast using the traditional lost-wax technique, giving it a pleasing irregularity and strong sculptural character. The surface displays a

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warm, naturally aged patina, with wear consistent with age and use. The iron axles show oxidation, and there is general wear to the high points, all contributing to its authentic antique appearance. India, 19th century. Height: 16.5 cm. Good condition. SOLD WITH A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY It is possible to pay in installments. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me 0678679716 or email tdixonfrance@yahoo.co.uk. Frais de port inclus pour la France. Shipping included in the price for FRANCE. Price does not include international shipping. Please contact me for a shipping quote. I am happy to combine shipping costs if you buy more than one item to save you money. Please note that I ship all items insured priority mail with tracking. I am an Englishman living down in the beautiful rural South of France and spend my days searching the little brocantes, flea markets, and shops for treasures. If you are forming a collection, I will be happy to advise you. Any questions will be answered promptly. MONEY BACK WITHOUT QUESTION IF I MISREPRESENT SOMETHING IN ANY WAY. I want YOU to be happy at the end of the day, so buy with confidence. I take a great deal of care packing -- I have a proven track record of selling high value, fragile items that arrive safely worldwide. Payment: Credit Cards via PayPal. Cheque or Bank transfer. Other payment methods are available, please ask. We speak English and French. Nous parlons anglais et français.