



Antique Indian Chola Bronze Miniature Of Parvati Seated On A Lion, C12th-13th Hindu Goddess



695 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Height : 3.3 cm

Description

A rare and evocative South Indian bronze miniature depicting the goddess Parvati seated in lalitasana upon her lion mount, dating to the Chola period, circa 12th-13th century. Despite its very small scale of just 3.3 cm, the figure conveys the essential iconography of Devi, with a high conical headdress (mukuta), full breasts, and a composed seated posture associated with divine femininity. The lion beneath her reinforces the identification with Parvati in her aspect as the consort of Shiva and as a manifestation of Shakti. The sculpture shows extensive devotional wear from prolonged handling over centuries. The surface has become smooth and softened, with details of the face and extremities gently worn, and the feet now almost entirely reduced. This kind of wear is entirely consistent with

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intimate ritual use and personal devotion. The underside is hollow and pierced, indicating that the figure was originally mounted, most likely as part of a portable shrine or ritual fitting. Such miniature bronzes were intended for personal worship and were handled frequently, explaining the present condition. This is a genuine and scarce example of a Chola-period miniature bronze, notable for its strong presence despite its diminutive size, and for the clear signs of long devotional use that give it both character and authenticity. Good condition, with significant age-related wear consistent with handling and use over many centuries. 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.