



## Large Fossil Trunk



8 500 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Stone

Width : 40

Height : 72

Depth : 33

### Description

The trunk shown is a remarkable example of fossilized wood from Madagascar, dating back approximately 90 to 130 million years, to the Cretaceous period, when these regions were covered by vast conifer forests. It appears as a massive cylindrical form with an irregular surface and tones ranging from grey to brown, enriched with greenish hues--evidence of complete mineralization. Its large size is particularly significant, as it indicates a tree of considerable growth and a fossilization process that occurred under exceptionally favorable conditions, a relatively rare event. Of special interest is the preservation of the bark, still visible through its longitudinal fissures--an unusual feature, as this is typically the first part to decay--indicating rapid burial in a low-oxygen environment. The upper

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section is equally extraordinary, as it retains the concentric growth rings, or annual rings, which make it possible to trace the tree's growth history and provide insights into the climate of that time. Overall, this is a specimen of great scientific and aesthetic value, capable of preserving with remarkable precision the structure and life of an organism that lived over one hundred million years ago. A timeless piece that can be displayed much like a modern sculpture.