



Nagaland Shell Pendant



180 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Width : 5,5 cm

Height : 6,5 cm

Description

This small jewel from Nagaland (northeastern India), is made from an ancient trade shell, once worn as an earring and then transformed into a pendant by a hammered silver metal mounting. Very prized in trade networks, these shells were prestige markers and entered traditional finery, often linked to headhunters. The punctuated decoration forms a stylized anthropomorphic figure, with extended limbs, testifying to a symbolic vocabulary specific to Naga cultures. Nagaland, late 19th, early 20th century for the shell. Good condition.

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