



## Mawana Hiti ,zaramo Tanzania



750 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Solid wood

Height : 17 ,3 cm sans le socle

### Description

beautiful Mwana hiti zaramo or Kwere doll from Tanzania The doll's eyes and mouth give it a beautiful expression its patina is deep and shiny, the wood is very dense the size is big provenanceJean Pierre Laprugne ParisFertility statue from Tanzania It features 'a woman represented in a very abstract form. The head is dominated by the hairstyle, which is represented as a bow shape | The thick neck rests on flat shoulders and the body is columnar with breasts and navel. The waist is represented as a small flared base. Known as Mwana Hiti, meaning "child of the wood", these figures were prepared by ritual specialists to be given to a child during his or her initiation ritual. The function of the figure was to protect the child so that he or she would reach maturity and become

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fertile, in order to have healthy children. The child was expected to care for the doll as if it were a real baby, preparing it for the task of true motherhood.