



Antique Cambodian Hanuman Silver Betel Lime Box, Early 20th Century



345 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Sterling silver

Width : 7 cm

Description

A fine antique Cambodian silver betel lime box of lobed form, the lid surmounted by a finely cast and chased figure of Hanuman, the monkey warrior from the Ramayana and the Khmer Reamker tradition. The figure is depicted seated in a dynamic posture, richly adorned with jewellery and costume, his body merging gracefully with the contours of the box. The sides are decorated with geometric and scale-like motifs typical of Khmer silverwork. The interior is plain and retains traces of age and use consistent with its original function as a container for lime used in betel chewing. Betel chewing formed an important part of daily and ceremonial life throughout Cambodia, and finely worked silver containers such as this were owned by families of status and used on special occasions as well as in everyday

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hospitality. A charming example of Khmer silverwork combining practical function with religious and literary symbolism. Cambodia, early 20th century. Dimensions: width 7 cm. Good condition with age-related wear and patina. **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. We speak English and French. Nous parlons anglais et français. 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.