



18th-19th-century Sculpture From Naples - Nativity Scene - Saint Joseph



390 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Quelques manques

Material : Terracotta

Description

The figure depicts a statuette of Saint Joseph belonging to the Neapolitan Nativity scene tradition. This type of artistic artifact falls within the realm of Neapolitan devotional and Nativity scene sculpture, historically linked to the 18th and 19th centuries. The figure is identifiable as Saint Joseph, typically depicted in an expressive and dynamic pose. His gaze is directed downward, originally intended to contemplate the manger with the Baby Jesus. Materials and craftsmanship: This type of work typically features a head molded from polychrome terracotta with glass eyes; the limbs (hands and feet) are made of painted terracotta. The internal body (mannequin) consists of a wire frame covered with tow, which allowed artisans to articulate the figure and shape its

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posture.Clothing: The figurine wears garments made of shaped and draped fabric (often silk or fine fabrics of the period), fastened at the waist, which show clear signs of age and wear on the textiles--typical of original historical or collectible pieces. The sculpture rests on a molded wooden base.Height: 42 cm - Base width: 20 cm - Sculpture width: 15 cm