



Baoule Yombe Bell From The Congo



550 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Parfait état

Material : Solid wood

Width : 8cm

Diameter : 13cm

Height : 21 cm

Description

At Christie's, At the Cleveland Museum, At the Afrika Museum in Berg en Dal, the Netherlands, and a few in private collections... Which is where this one comes from. This Baoulé bell with external clappers was operated by the nganga (the sorcerer). This minkisi played an essential role in the performance of certain rituals. The geometric symbols on the sides represent ethnic scarifications; the mother, kneeling on the Dibu, is also symbolic, but one needs the key to understanding these peoples to further decipher this beautiful object.

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