



Calumet - Sioux Indians, Great Plains Region, North America - Circa 1880



1 880 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Description

CALUMET Sioux Indians, Plains region, North America Circa 1880 Catlinite and wood Total length: 86; Bowl length: 19.5; Bowl height: 10.7 cm The L-shaped catlinite pipe bowl is mounted on a light-colored wooden stem carved with geometric patterns. According to John Baldwin, in his book **Red Pipes, Indian Smoking Pipes of the American Frontier**: "It is believed that finely carved wooden pipes originated as a pastime among white traders. This idea certainly influenced the Indians." The calumet is associated with ritual practice. Smoking the pipe could be an occasion to commemorate an event, inaugurate a settlement, or celebrate an important occasion. It is said that the smoke rose to the heavens, where the Great Creator resides. Calumets were stored in long pouches.

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