



Silver "monkey" Figurine. Mario Buccellati. Italy. Second Half Of The 20th Century



2 000 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Sterling silver

Length : 8

Width : 10

Height : 10

Description

A rare figurine depicting a monkey, crafted in silver by Mario Buccellati, this work is one of the most representative examples of cabinet-sized animal sculpture produced by the prestigious Milanese house. Entirely handcrafted from 925 sterling silver, it demonstrates the exceptional mastery of traditional Italian artistic silversmithing techniques that have earned Buccellati its international renown. The sculpture captivates with its remarkable naturalism and the finesse of its modeling. The artist captures with great sensitivity the animal's lively character, its mischievous expression, and its natural posture. The rendering of the fur deserves special attention: each hair is individually engraved and chiseled by hand, creating a texture of astonishing visual suppleness. The subtle contrast between

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the finely satin-finished surfaces and the polished areas of the face and limbs accentuates the relief and enhances the expressiveness of the piece as a whole. Combining a faithful observation of nature with the understated humor characteristic of Buccellati's finest animal creations, this work exemplifies the house's artistic refinement and technical virtuosity. Produced in very limited editions, these cabinet sculptures are today among the most sought-after works by Buccellati collectors and connoisseurs of 20th-century European goldsmithing. Hallmarks: Manufacturer's hallmark: M. BUCCELLATI ITALY. Official Italian hallmark guaranteeing 925 silver. Dimensions: Height 10 cm. Width 10 cm. Depth 8 cm. Weight: 151 g. Condition: Very good condition. ID-ANTQ-11611