Anthropomorphic Vase From The Puruhá Culture--ecuador, 15th-17th Centuries



150 EUR

Period : Before 16th century

Condition : En l'etat

Material : Terracotta

Width : 9,10

Diameter : 6,8

Height : 15,8

Description

Terracotta with red slip. Significant wear--a crack on the back has been restored.The Puruhá inhabited the highlands of central Ecuador;this was not a centralized empire comparable to that of the Incas, but rather acollection of principalities or chiefdoms. Their fortified settlementsat high altitudes, called pucará or churo, played a significant role in resistingInca expansion. The Chimborazo and Tungurahua volcanoes held animportant place in their conception of the sacred.Their ceramic production notably includes anthropomorphic vesselswhose necks take the form of a human head, withmodelled details.The Puruhá identity endured beyond the Inca andSpanish conquests. Thus, the dating range is broad, extending well beyond the discovery of the

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Americas, up to the mid-17th century.