Bronze Incense Burner, Japan, 19th Century.



380 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Length : 21,5 cm

Description

Large Bronze Koro Incense Burner - Japan - 19th century / Meiji era - Dragon-Turtle / Minogame
Description:Large incense burner (koro) in bronze with a brown patina, a 19th-century Japanese piece (late Edo period or Meiji era). This work of art and scholarship depicts a major mythological creature of East Asia: the Minogame, the legendary thousand-year-old tortoise, here depicted with a powerful dragon's head. The creature is depicted in motion, its mouth wide open, its legs adorned with finely chiseled scales, and displaying its characteristic long tail with flowing, undulating strands--the ultimate symbol of longevity, wisdom, and prosperity. The removable shell serves as a perforated lid. Once incense is lit inside, the smoke escapes spectacularly through both the

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slits in the lid and the dragon's open mouth. Origin: JapanPeriod: 19th century (Edo/Meiji period)Material: Solid bronze cast using the lost-wax methodDimensions: Length: 21.5 cmWeight: 1.311 kg (a heavy, dense piece of exquisite craftsmanship)Signature: Unsigned