Igala Helmet Mask, Nigeria



750 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Description

Rare Igala helmet mask from Nigeria.These revered masks represent the king's power and authority.They are quite rare on the art market, with a beautiful dark patina; approximately 36 cm tall and 28 cm wide, showing significant signs of use, dents, small chips, and wear... Estimated date: late 19th to early 20th century.Note the numerous and beautiful scarifications adorning the face and the rich detailing of the headdress, as well as the so-called "crescent moon" eyes,A model quite similar to one at Sotheby's here=> Sotheby's . I tried it on; the head fits well and you can see clearly through the eye holes.See: "Les Arts de la Bénué," by François Neyt.

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