Copper Maedate Depicting An Oni's Head--edo Period (1603-1868).



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Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Copper

Width : 15 cm.

Height : 15 cm.

Depth : 12 cm.

Description

JAPAN - Edo period (1603-1868).Stamped copper maedate, reworked with engraving and patina, depicting the head of an oni with two large horns and horsehair.In good overall condition.Dimensions: 15 x 15 x 12 cm.Sold with its etsa base and fork for attaching it to a kabuto. Dimensions with the base: 28 x 15 x 13 cm.The kabuto shown in the photos is not included with the maedate.Notes: Among samurai, the oni--a demonic creature from Japanese folklore--embodies a formidable force that is both destructive and protective. Depicted on the maedate, the frontal ornament of the helmet (kabuto), it affirms the warrior's power and boldness, while seeking to intimidate the opponent. An ambivalent figure, the oni can also be invoked as a guardian capable of warding off

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evil influences and protecting its wearer in battle. Its presence on the armor thus reflects a desire to impress the enemy and to harness the supernatural strength of this creature.