



Fang-gabon Reliquary Statue



38 000 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Assez bon état

Description

Very beautiful and rare Fang sculpture from Gabon in carved and patinated wood height 67cm beard and forehead studded one arm glued otherwise good condition In Fang society, the authority was in the hands of the eldest. Each head of the family kept the bones of the deceased ally in a box made of bark. Heads or statuettes were carved at the bottom to overcome these boxes to represent the soul of the deceased. they were kept in a hut built away from the houses. Strange and fascinating statuette forming a synthesis of aspects of the human body. The headdress is pierced in his back to attach feathers to it, I insist on the rarity of this type of Fang sculpture, a copy of which can be seen (can be from the same sculptor) at the DAPPER Foundation formerly Epstein collection An

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impression of power emerges of this reliquary
with the help of his large copper or brass eyes
piece probably dating from the end of the
nineteenth and or early twentieth Provenance
collection of the great Merchant Guy PIAZZINI
died in 2018 (Galerie Gam) at 13 rue Bonaparte
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