

Oceania Wooden Statuette Tiki



1 200 EUR

Period: 19th century

Condition: Très bon état

Length: 4,5

Height: 10,5

Depth: 4

Description

Statuette/ Tiki made of wood from the Marquesas Islands. Beautiful carved figure representing a Tiki. Tiki designating statuettes showing the gods and also meaning "human image" In Oceanian Art, small tiki were used in magical practices. This Tiki stands in a posture reminiscent of the dances of Polynesia. He has his legs bent, arms folded forward or on the belly. Like most tribal representations, his large-eyed head is disproportionate to the body. it protects the home, repels bad energy and dangers. Picasso, one of the greatest artists of the XX th century and a great admirer of the so-called «first» arts, treasured a Marquisian Tiki.

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