



Zoomorphic Mask Ogbodo Enyi Culture Izi, Nigeria First Half Of The 20th Century

1 600 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état



Description

ZOOMORPHIC MASK Ogbodo Enyi Culture Izi, Nigeria First half of the 20th century Wood and pigments H .: 46.5; L .: 26; Thick: 31.5 cm (old slit) Zoomorphic wooden crest mask depicting an animal with a pair of long teeth and accompanied on the top by an anthropomorphic figure called Ntekpé. It is fully pigmented in black and white, colors arranged in a geometric fashion. This mask refers to the spirituality of the elephant. Indeed, Ogbodo means "spirit" while Enyir refers to the large mammal. The two lower protuberances would refer to its defenses. These dance masks were worn as a crest on the top of the head and had a role of social mediator. Text and photos © FCP CORIDON

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