

Old Chamba Statue From Nigeria



7 500 EUR

Period: 20th century

Condition : Base de la sculpture érrodée

Description

Very beautiful and old CHAMBA statue from NIGERIA height with 76cm base single statue 62cm Hardwood with thick crusty patina of use The sculpture that I propose is very close to that of the FRITZ KOENIG collection (see Photo). Could it be his double made by the same sculptor? translation of the text; chamba figurines are less well known than the often unsightly bison helmet masks they share with their neighbors the dakka in eastern nigeria south of the benue river. It is here that they migrated in the 17th century from the mountains to the Cameroonian border, and remained in the face of the Fulani invasions in the 19th century. The smallest wooden figurines are a defense against the poison of the snake and are driven into the ground by means of an iron point The larger figures are rarer and this

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beautiful specimen with the characteristic crest is one of the largest known. Other figures usually come in the form of a pair joined with, so to speak, two legs between them. This particular sculpture is in the simplest of chamba styles, uncluttered in detail and focusing with masterful success on volume relationships. Like the double digits, it appears to have been apotropaic based free shipping worldwide the book will accompany the statue