

African Art, Ancient Dan Mask, Dated 1935



1 870 EUR

Period: 20th century

Condition : Bon état général avec une belle patine et un petit

décollement du bois au dos

Width: 15 cm Height: 28 cm Depth: 9 cm

Description

One of the oldest masks of the Dan people in our catalog, it is called Gunye Ge and it's worn during a ritual/race.

His bearer is chased by an unmasked runner and, if caught, the unmasked runner wears the mask and is followed in turn.

Historically this ritual was used to gain social recognition in the tribe.

The wood of this mask has been dated 1935 +/- 6 by the Museum of Art and Science in Milan, an instrument that together with stylistic expertise can determine its authenticity and high value.

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