Grade Figure "rom Mask" Ambrym Vanuatu Oceania



9 000 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Earthenware

Height : 300 cm

Description

Representation of a fern sculpted with the effigy of the ROM Mask

These ROM Mask ferns are very rare because they must never be seen.
They served as a support post for the Nassara of Little Chief Sekor's father.
They were out of sight inside the Nassara, the place where the ROM masks were made.
Collected on Ambrym Island in the village of Olal

Rom masks are worn during ceremonies for the Rom dance. Protected from the gaze of women and children during their construction, they are generally burned after use. The dance of Rom is sacred, it maintains and renews the spiritual and

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social bonds of the community.

Early 20th century

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Circumference: 114 cm Height: 3 m