



Baba Mask, Abelam, Papua New Guinea.



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Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Width : 27.5 cm

Height : 47 cm

Depth : 44 cm

Description

Mask Heaume Baba, braided basketwork covered with natural pigments, Abelam, Papua New Guinea, early 20th century.

Private collection Cleenewerck Brigitte and Gilles - Belgium.

This mask is worn by the master of ceremonies during the final ritual of passage of young adolescents into adulthood.

This mask with avian features is made of a particularly fine and openwork braiding.

The eyes are protruding like those of the chameleon.

A median ridge divides the face symmetrically.

Its colors are brown and ocher.

Good general condition, traces of wear from use.

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