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Ritual Dagger Called Phurbu - Tibet End Of The XIXth - Beginning Of The XXth Century



850 EUR

Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Height : 20,5

Depth : 3,5

Description

Text and photosRitual dagger called Phurbu

Tibet

Late 19th - early 20th century

Bronze

H.: 20,5 ; L.: 3,5 cm

This bronze dagger is composed of a short "blade" with three sides and ending in a point. Each side is engraved with a pair of intertwined naga snakes emerging from the mouths of three Garuda. The handle is structured in five registers with vegetal motifs, skulls and three Mahakala faces, all topped by a horse's head.

Phurbu are linked to Buddhist beliefs. Indeed, the three sides of the blade refer to the destruction of ignorance, attachment and aversion but also to the

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mastery of the three times and the three worlds.
These ritual daggers also had the ability to nail
demons.

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