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Ancient Etruscan Votive Female Bust 4th Century Bc

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1030967****Date of manufacture: Before 1700**

Dimensions

Height = 28 cm (11.0")

Width = 22 cm (8.7")

Depth = 10 cm (3.9")

Description

A fine Ancient Etruscan Votive Female Bust with wonderful perseveration of traces of the original pigment and important provenance. Italy - Circa 4th - 3rd Century BC Provenance Donati Arte Classica, Lugano Sold in 1974 to a private Swiss collection Sold Christie's, New York, 8 June 2001, lot 57 Private USA Collection This very fine terracotta bust or statuette, crafted in the 4th / 3rd Century BC in the Etruria region of Italy, was a votive piece influenced by classical Greek tradition but adapted in the Etruscan period to reflect the new pantheon of deities worshipped in the region. The hollow mould-made head with her centre-parted hair pulled back into a bun at the nape of her neck, the long oval face with lidded almond-shaped eyes, a prominent nose, small lips and rounded chin, wearing pendant ovoid earrings and a thick necklace, drapery falling along her shoulders, traces of pigment preserved, including blue for the left eye, mounted on a lacquered display stand. Votive pieces such as this one served the purpose of representing the person depicted engaging with the gods. These offerings were taken to the temples of the respective deities and left there with...

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