

SA1229107

Ancient Pre-Columbian Terracotta Zoomorphic Vessel Over 2000 Years Old

Price

GBP 3,500

| USD \$4,736 | EUR 4,095

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Date of manufacture: Pre 16th century

Dimensions

Height = 23 cm (9.1")

Width = 25 cm (9.8")

Depth = 13 cm (5.1")

Description

Dimensions: Height 23 cm, width 25 cm, thickness 13 cm. Weight: 906 g. Technique: Hand-modeled terracotta, slip, burnishing, incised geometric ornament (step meander). Condition: Excellent antique condition with natural signs of wear, patina, abrasions, and a small chip on the left leg. Provenance: From a private collection, acquired at a British auction. Rarity: A rare example of early Andean sculpture with expressive zoomorphic iconography. Analogies: Museum exhibits of pre-Columbian ceramics from the Andean region (Chavin, Cupisnique, Vicus cultures). Based on the visual analysis of the photographs, the condition of the ceramics, and technological features: Cultural affiliation and style: The iconography of the vessel (a zoomorphic figure with fangs, the shape of the eyes, ears, and a geometric ornament in the form of a step meander on the neck) is characteristic of ancient Peruvian pre-Columbian ceramics (Andean region, Early Horizon or Early Intermediate period cultures, such as Chavin, Cupisnique, or Vicus). Condition of the ceramics and signs of time: Natural wear is observed on the surface, the wear is wearing away of the mineral coating (slip) and burnishing on the...

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