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Small Boiken Figure

A very rare, small, and archaic amulet figure representing a male ancestor. The figure is extremely well carved with a powerfully sculpted body and a finely rendered face. The ears and nose are pierced. There is a small topknot carved on the top of the head. Boiken sculpture is extremely rare and very few examples are as yet published in the literature.

Boiken plains, North Coast, PNG, Melanesia. Hard wood with an ancient patina of wear and age. 17,5 cm. 19th century (stone carved).

Literature:

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