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## BAOULÉ COLON FIGURE IN A BOAT,

Ivory Coast, standard wear to paint due to age.

African colon figures originated among the Ivory Coast's Baoulé tribe as an often satirical artistic response to colonisation and European influence. The hand-carved wooden statues commonly depict a Europeanised African middle class, or stereotypical attributes of European design - official uniforms, suits, tobacco pipes, distinct hairstyles and hats. The Baoulé waged one of the longest wars of resistance against French colonisation, and the colon style would achieve international popularity following the second World War. The figure depicts a settler travelling sturdily by canoe boat, the two pieces are not attached. Crossed-sword decorative marking motif may have symbolised a readiness to fight evil.

DIMENSIONS: 27.5cm (10<sup>3/4</sup>" ) High, 11.5cm (4<sup>1/2</sup>" ) Wide, 38cm (15" ) Deep

PRICE: £50

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