

Early 20th century carved wood mask Washkuk Minja Kwoma people.

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Height: 40 cm (15.7")

Width: 15 cm (5.9")

Depth: 4 cm (1.6")

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Minja skulpture from Papua New Guinea from the tribe Nukuma or Kwoma - 20th century The tribes practicing the Yamskult and Minjas serve a cult figure to be used for the harvest ritual to mount the yam tubers and decorate it altar like with the Minja sculpture; the Nukumas and Kwomas live in the foot hills of the ascending of the Ambunti hills.

This is one of part of a collection purchased from the estate of a collector of original tribal artefacts.