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Statuette fragment of a woman

Egypt, New Kingdom, 19th Dynasty,
ca. 1291-1185 BC.

Wood

Height: 28 cm.

Provenance

- Khawam Brothers, Cairo, imported in France on 15 Octobre 1952
 - Roger Khawam Collection (1922-2016)
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This fragmentary statue of a woman belongs to a well-known tradition of New Kingdom private statuary. The lady's attire and hairstyle are typical of the fashion of the late 18th and 19th dynasty. She wears an elaborate enveloping wig and a pleated wrap-around garment.

The present sculpture's quality, combined with its morphology, suggest a date in the early 19th Dynasty. Stylistically- and typologically- related artworks have been discovered in the necropolis of Saqqara and Asyut. For a certain elite, these statuettes, representing the deceased, were used in funeral rites and intended to accompany the person in the afterlife.