



## Fine Netsuke & Sagemono (NE0422)

Fri, 22nd Apr 2022

### Viewing:

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## Lot 230

**Starting price:** €800

**Estimate:** €1500

### ¥ NOBUKAZU: AN IVORY NETSUKE OF A MONKEY WITH KAKI (PERSIMMON)

By Nobukazu, signed Nobukazu □□

Japan, Tokyo, late 19<sup>th</sup> century, Meiji period (1868-1912)

Well carved seated and holding a persimmon borne on a leafy stem, the face with a quizzical expression marked by small eyes with dark pupils, the fur neatly incised, the feet and hands with long fingers and toes, natural himotoshi between the monkey's limbs and the fruit, signed to one leg NOBUKAZU within an oval reserve.

LENGTH 3.7 cm

**Condition:** Very good condition with some wear and a minor age crack to the back.

**Provenance:** French private collection, acquired at Toledano, Bordeaux, 19 December 1998.

### Literature comparison:

Compare a related wood netsuke by Nobukazu of a monkey eating fruit, illustrated in Meinertzhagen, Frederick / Lazarnick, George (1986) MCI, Part B, p. 608.

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