



Fine Netsuke & Sagemono (NE0421)

Fri, 16th Apr 2021

Lot 77

Starting price: €1000

Estimate: €2000

Y MITSUHIRO: A FINE IVORY NETSUKE OF FUKUROKUJU

Signed Mitsuhiro 光廣

Japan, Osaka, mid-19th century, Edo period (1615-1868)

Depicting the lucky god Fukurokuju almost completely enveloped in his robe, except for his large, phallic forehead. A natural crack in the ivory is cleverly disguised with a piece of folded paper running along his cranium. The ivory lightly stained, the details finely rendered, and the robe incised with scrolling patterns, attractively worn. Large himotoshi through the underside and back, the larger one generously excavated to accommodate the knot. Signed in the back with neatly incised characters MITSUHIRO – most likely a very able pupil of Ohara Mitsuhiro (1810-1875).

HEIGHT 4.2 cm

Condition: Very good condition with minor wear and age cracks.

Provenance: Ex-collection Jury Kolodotschko.