A191- Afr-Egy-Ushabti-Saite Period, 26th Dynasty, 664–525 BCE

**Case No.: 2**

**Formal Label: Ushabti-**Egyptian Saite Period, 26th Dynasty, 664–525 BCE

**Display Description: The dating of this Ushabti is based on the shape of the** plain Saite Period lappet wig. The entire Ushabti was once covered with a laver of kaolin and then painted with bright colors. Hints of this painting can be seen on the head, sides and back. A plain Saite Period lappet wig, leaving the ears visible, frames his well-modelled, oval face with almond-shaped eyes, fleshy cheeks and thick lips, which seem being pushed forward. His arms are not crossed as is usual, but his right hand is placed over his left hand as though holding a staff. Hieroglyphs are still visible in the sections that once adorned a vertical band down the front, His feet are placed on a plinth. A field of red with black crisscrosses mimicking the bandaging of a mummy once covered this entire Ushabti.

**Accession Number: A191**

**LC Classification:** DT62

**Date or Time Horizon:** Saite Period, 26th Dynasty, 664–525 BCE

**Geographical Area: Sais, Egypt**

**Map, GPS Coordinates:** 30.96650 30.76751, 30º57'59.41" N 30º46'3.02" E

 

Fig. Left. Sais on the Nile after http://latitude.to/lat/30.96606/lng/30.76785. Fig. Sais reconstructed according to Jean-Claude Golvin, http://jeanclaudegolvin.com/sais-2/.

**Cultural Affiliation:** Sais Period, Egypt

**Media:** Cedar wood, White (Kaolin), Green (Malachite), Red (Cinnabar) and Black (Charcoal) Pigment.

**Dimensions: H 405.15mm, 15.22 in; W119.01 mm; 4.69 in  
Weight: 1 kg 194 g; 2 lb 10 oz**

**Provenance: unknown**

**Condition: original**

**Discussion:**

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