

# GALERIE GOLCONDA

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## CERTIFICATE

### **AMULET OF THOUERIS EGYPT – SAITE PERIOD (663-525 BC)**

**MATERIAL AND METHOD:** large amulet in turquoise coloured frit, depicting the goddess Thoueris. She wears a three-part wig and has hanging breasts, a gravid belly and is walking with arms along the body.

Very good state of preservation, despite the absence of the feet. A missing section in the arm, however the piece remains perfectly legible.

**ORIGIN:** amulets in ancient Egypt were part of the cult of the dead. Thoueris is the Greek version of the name of the goddess *Ta-weret* (the great), symbolizing the universal mother. She was represented as half woman, half hippopotamus with lion paws and a crocodile tail. This goddess was protector of the home, children and particularly of birth.

**MEASUREMENTS:** Height: 6 cm (2.3") mounted on a custom made stand not included in the measurement.

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