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# Egyptian Wood Ptah-Soker-Osiris

An ancient Egyptian statuette of the god Ptah-Soker-Osiris, depicted standing mummiform, cloaked in a beaded net shroud, tripartite wig, and false beard, now lacking; a column of hieroglyphic text on the front: "Offering which the king gives to Osiris who governs the West, Ounnefer, the Great God, the Lord of Abydos, so that he grants an offer of bread, beer, meat, and fowl and every pure thing."



Late Period
Ca. 664-30 BC.
Height: 12 1/8 in. (31 cm.)

Ptah was a primordial Egyptian god responsible for creation. He was the patron deity of craftsmen, particularly stone carvers and sculptors Ptah's significance increased with the growing industry of funerary goods at the necropolis of Thebes. He began to become associated with god of the underworld, Osiris, eventually becoming known as Ptah-Soker-Osiris.

Formerly in a French private collection.

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