

Statue of Pamontu, called Palyn

Provenance: probably Tod Late Ptolemaic Period–Early Roman Period,

Granite

H.: 82.2 cm; W.: 28 cm; D.: 26 cm

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This member of a prominent family was posted to the region of Thebes, where he was a provincial administrator and priest at Tod, serving the local god Montu and the deities associated with him. As the statue itself declares, Pamontu played an active role in local celebrations and contributed to development of the temple by supervising the construction of a kiosk and a sacred pond, still visible today. This statue shows Pamontu in a standing pose, arms along the body, wearing his priestly panther skin and, around his neck, the bat insignia that was often worn, at least during later periods, in conjunction with the panther skin.



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