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Antique Delft tin-glazed
Pottery Vase, mid-18th
century.

Price

GBP 700

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Item Reference: SA1082575

Date of manufacture: 18th Century

Description

A pear-shaped faience vase, decorated in black and brown on a white background with pictures in Chinoiserie style. Hand-painted images depict three Chinese figures: one smoking a long pipe with smoke rising up, another carrying two buckets of water on a balance beam, and a woman holding something. The landscape is represented by a few rocks and bushes with scattered tree branches. Black spots and dots on the body of the vase are peculiarities of the technological process of glazing during the manufacture of the piece. The first ships carrying Chinese porcelain arrived in the Netherlands around 1600. The new luxury pottery was very popular, and makers in Delft soon started trying to develop a good imitation. The Chinese porcelain was made of very fine white clay known as kaolin, but that was not available in the Netherlands. So to make 'Hollants porceleyn' (Dutch porcelain), the potters in Delft used tin glaze – an opaque white glaze containing tin oxide. This technique was used in Delft until around 1850. That is why objects made between 1620 and 1850 are known as antique Delftware. After 1850, Delftware was made using another technique and is known as modern Delftware. D...

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