

SA1098009

Striking Japanese Edo or Meiji (19thC) Matching Ryuku Red/Gold Lacquer Writing Box (Suzuribako) and Document Box (Ryushibako)

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1098009****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 5 cm (2.0")

Width = 26.1 cm (10.3")

Depth = 23.7 cm (9.3")

Description

Rare Japanese Edo or Meiji (19thC) matching Ryuku (Ryuku Islands, Okinawa prefecture) red/gold lacquer writing box (Suzuribako) and document box (Ryushibako), both decorated predominantly in gold hiramaki-e and gold togidashi maki-e with a Chinese-inspired winter landscape on a glossy red-lacquered ground. On the bevelled-edged kabusebuta (overlapping cover) of the suzuribako are stalks of camellia and plum growing beside a rushing stream on the lower right corner, tall craggy mountains partly obscured by clouds in the upper left corner, the inside of the lid embellished with other wild flowers. The interior of the box is fitted with a removable ita (baseboard) containing the suzuri (ink-grinding stone) and a silvered-metal suiteki (water-dropper) in the form of a lobed kettle. The exterior of the inrobuta (flush-fitting) lid of the ryushibako is similarly decorated (to the suzuribako) with a matching Chinese landscape design extending over the sides of the box, the inside of the lid lacquered with the same wild flowers. The suzuribako has wood storage box (tomobako) with an attached inscribed paper label. The suzuribako measures 5cm x 26.1cm x 23.7cm (2in x 10¼in x 9 ...

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