

SA1133559

Meiji Kutani vase with shishi handles, signed Juzan, Japanese porcelain, 1903

Price

Sold

Item Reference: SA1133559

Date of manufacture: 1900

Dimensions

Height = 24.2 cm (9.5")

Width = 14.5 cm (5.7")

Depth = 11.5 cm (4.5")

Description

Antique Japanese Kutani porcelain vase with shishi handles, signed by Juzan, dated 1903 (Meiji 36). A finely hand-painted Japanese Kutani porcelain vase, signed and dated Meiji 36 (1903), showcasing elegant craftsmanship and classic Meiji-period artistry. The vase features an elongated oval form with two ornate shishi (lion dog) handles, symbols of strength and protection in Japanese culture. The front panel depicts a graceful court lady in traditional kimono, standing on a veranda overlooking a stylised garden scene. The reverse features architectural elements and seasonal trees, painted in a sophisticated palette of iron red, soft pastels, and gilt accents. Ornamental cartouches, textile motifs, and detailed brushwork complete the composition in the refined Kutani style. The red enamel inscription on the base reads: "Meiji 36th year (1903), Kutani, made by Juzan," identifying both the artist and date. Historical Background Kutani porcelain has been prized since the Edo period for its vibrant colours and overglaze enamels. By the Meiji period, Kutani ware gained international popularity, particularly in Europe, where pieces like this—rich in detail and symbolic form—were highly valued.

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