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Late Meiji Japanese Kutani porcelain Buddhist triad of Kannon, c. 1880–1900

Price

GBP 1,600

| USD \$2,165 | EUR 1,872

Item Reference: SA1187433**Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 28.5 cm (11.2")

Width = 21 cm (8.3")

Description

A finely modelled Japanese Kutani porcelain triad depicting Kannon (Kannon Bosatsu) with two standing attendant bodhisattvas, dating to the late Meiji period, circa 1880–1900. The ensemble was created as a complete religious and decorative composition and has survived intact. The seated figure of Kannon holds a sutra scroll, symbolising sacred wisdom and compassion. The attendant bodhisattvas display subtle variations in ornament and colour accents, emphasising the hand-crafted nature of the group and traditional Japanese production methods. Decorated in a classic Kutani palette with extensive gilding, the cloaks of all three figures are finished with a finely textured nanako-ji surface. This granular relief technique was reserved for sacred and high-status figures and adds both visual depth and surface richness. Complete Kutani Buddhist triads are rarely encountered, particularly in such well-preserved condition. Measurements Standing attendants: Height 28.5 cm (11.2?) Seated Kannon: Height 28 cm (11.0?); Width 21 cm (8.3?) Total combined weight: approx. 3.48 kg Condition Excellent overall antique condition. Minor superficial shrinkage cracks to the base of one atte...

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