

SA1194785

A Chinese carved red cinnabar lacquer vase circa 1860

Price

GBP 1,495

| USD \$2,023 | EUR 1,749

Item Reference: SA1194785

Date of manufacture: 1860

Dimensions

Height = 31.5 cm (12.4")

Width = 17 cm (6.7")

Depth = 17 cm (6.7")

Description

This superbly large Chinese carved red cinnabar lacquer vase is highly decorative and a beautiful piece of Chinese art. The vase is highly complicated in its design with its fine carved detailed panels and borders separated with Greek key design. The centre of the vase contains the main decorative element, which is separated into four panels with different views of mountainous landscapes with trees and people in front of a tightly carved geometric pattern, which is continuous throughout the background of both this central section and to the foliate and floral decorations above and below. Cinnabar lacquer is made from a bright red ground mineral (cinnabar), which is mixed with the sap of the sumac tree to form the red lacquer, which is then painted onto the ground structure, which in this case is brass or copper. The lacquer is built up in many thin coats. Often, three hundred or so before it is thick enough to be carved into the complicated designs, which this fine work is renowned for. This large, impressive piece is in good condition. It has developed a rich dark patina, which is very pleasing to the eye. Chinese circa 1860 Height 31.5cm x width 17cm x depth 17cm...

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