

SA1216033

Antique Chinese Dark Green Jade Tripod Censer, Foo Dog, c. 1900–1920

Price

GBP 350

| USD \$474 | EUR 410

Item Reference: SA1216033**Date of manufacture: Edwardian**

Dimensions

Height = 8.5 cm (3.3")

Width = 8 cm (3.1")

Depth = 5 cm (2.0")

Description

An antique Chinese dark green jade tripod censer and cover dating to the late Qing to early Republic period, circa 1900–1920. The censer is carved in the traditional archaistic ding form with a rounded body, three feet and loose ring handles suspended from carved taotie-style masks. The stone displays a rich spinach-green colour with dark almost black areas contrasting against lighter olive-green translucent sections. Natural mineral inclusions and veining are visible throughout the body, giving the stone a varied and attractive appearance. The hand-polished surface retains a soft natural sheen rather than the highly glossy appearance often associated with later production. The tripod form derives from ancient Chinese ritual bronze vessels known as ding, forms that were reproduced in jade during the Ming and Qing dynasties for scholars' objects and cabinet display pieces. Jade occupied a central position in Chinese culture, symbolising refinement, purity, virtue and status. The removable cover is topped with a finely carved Foo Dog finial with scrolling mane and curled tail. The movable rings are carved from the same block of jade, a technically demanding and time-cons...

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