

SA1231990

Japanese Meiji Period Silver Bowl

Price

GBP 2,250

| USD \$3,068 | EUR 2,626

Item Reference: SA1231990

Date of manufacture: 1900

Dimensions

Height = 8.5 cm (3.3")

Width = 11.5 cm (4.5")

Depth = 11.5 cm (4.5")

Description

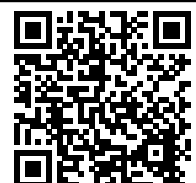
A Japanese Meiji period silver bowl with a scalloped rim and decorated in high relief with chased Iris flowers and leaves. The piece bears verso the Jungin stamp signifying pure silver of 950 to 999 grade. Shaping a vessel this pure and soft requires unique embossing and chasing skill. The bowl is in very good condition with no losses, but and a few very small dents to the base commensurate with use and hardly noticeable. It is hallmarked verso with the Japanese Jungin mark and the silversmith's mark for Konoike of Yokohama. Konoike Yokichi (b. 1848) was a renowned Japanese Silversmith and artist based in the port city of Yokohama. He ran his workshop between 1880 and 1910 and became famous for creating exceptionally fine, high grade silverware. He blended traditional hand-hammered Japanese and Chinese artistic styles with functional vessels such as tea and coffee services. His pieces are easily recognised by their high relief, rigorously chased and embossed motifs of twisting dragons, irises and chrysanthemums. He was commissioned by Liberty & Co, London, in the late 19th Century to make custom pieces exclusively for retail in England. Weight 258 gm. Circa 1880-19...

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