

SA1232117

Late Qajar Persian Polychrome Glazed Ceramic Vase, circa 1890–1910

Price

GBP 300

| USD \$409 | EUR 350

Item Reference: SA1232117**Date of manufacture: 1890**

Dimensions

Height = 23.7 cm (9.3")

Width = 12 cm (4.7")

Depth = 12 cm (4.7")

Description

An unusual and highly decorative Persian polychrome glazed ceramic vase, produced during the late Qajar period, circa 1890–1910. The vase has a distinctive tiered and strongly architectural profile. A broad spreading foot rises through a tapering lower section to a compressed globular body, surmounted by an elongated neck and a widely flared mouth. The generous central body and broad base give the vase a particularly balanced and imposing appearance despite its relatively compact dimensions. The decoration is freely hand-painted beneath a transparent glaze. The central body is reserved against an intense cobalt-blue ground and decorated with large white rosettes and stylised flowers, outlined in dark brown-black and enlivened with touches of pale blue, manganese purple and olive green. The neck is painted with upright tulip-like blossoms and leafy stems, while the lower section includes stylised birds among flowering vegetation. The bird-and-flower imagery belongs to the long Persian tradition of idealised garden decoration, evoking nature, vitality and abundance. The distinctive combination of cobalt blue, turquoise, manganese purple and olive or sage green also recal...

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