

SA389741

pair of 19th Century Chinese Cloisonné incense burners

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA389741****Date of manufacture: 19th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 20 cm (7.9")

Width = 23 cm (9.1")

Depth = 13 cm (5.1")

Description

A decorative pair of 19th Century Chinese Cloisonné incense burners in the style of dogs of Foo. 9" x 5" x 8" high. 23cm x 13cm x 20cm high. Foreign influence contributed to the development of cloisonné during the early fourteenth to fifteenth century in China. The earliest securely dated Chinese cloisonné is from the reign of the Ming Xuande emperor (1426–35). However, cloisonné is recorded during the previous Yuan dynasty, and it has been suggested that the technique was introduced to China at that time via the western province of Yunnan, which, under Mongol rule, received an influx of Islamic people. A very few cloisonné objects have been dated on stylistic grounds to the Yongle reign (1403–24) of the early Ming dynasty. Cloisonné is the technique of creating designs on metal vessels with colored-glass paste placed within enclosures made of copper or bronze wires, which have been bent or hammered into the desired pattern. Known as cloisons (French for "partitions"), the enclosures generally are either pasted or soldered onto the metal body. The glass paste, or enamel, is colored with metallic oxide and painted into the contained areas of the design. The vessel is u...

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