



Asian Art Discoveries - China and Southeast Asia (AK0621)

Tue, 15th Jun 2021

Viewing:

You may view objects in this auction in our gallery from 7 June to 14 June, 2021. FFP2 masks are required. We are open Monday to Friday from 10 AM to 6 PM CET, as well as by appointment.

Lot 172

Starting price: €150

Estimate: €300

A WHITE JADE FIGURE OF ZHOU YANZI

China, Qing Dynasty (1644 - 1912). The white and russet jade figure of Zhou Yanzi, grasping the handle of a milk pail in his left hand with the deerskin cloaking his back.

Zhou Yanzi's story originates from a Chinese folk tale and describes a boy whose parents began to lose their sense of sight and claimed that the milk of a doe would restore their vision. To reverse their impending blindness, Yanzi bravely cloaked himself in a deerskin and roamed amidst the herd in disguise to collect the potent milk.

Condition: Notches overall the figure due to the natural inclusions in the material.

Provenance: Austrian private collection.

Weight: 105 g

Dimensions: Height 7.2 cm