



Fine Japanese Art (JAP0621)

Fri, 4th Jun 2021

Viewing:

You may view objects in this auction in our gallery from 25 May to 4 June, 2021. We are open Monday to Friday from 10 AM to 6 PM CET, as well as by appointment. On the day of the sale, the preview will be open from 10 AM to 1 PM. FFP2 masks are required.

Lot 30

Starting price: €1000

Estimate: €2000

A NARA SCHOOL COPPER AND SHIBUICHI TSUBA WITH A WRITHING SNAKE

Japan, 19th century

Of tate-maru-gata form, with one hitsu, one side finely chiseled and inlaid with shibuichi depicting a snake writhing through craggy rockwork by a stream. With an associated wood tomobako (storage box).

HEIGHT 6.9 cm, WIDTH 6.2 cm

WEIGHT 114 g

Condition: Excellent condition with only minor surface wear.
Provenance: German private collection.

Auction comparison:

Compare a related tsuba, but of mokko form, slightly larger, and with a signature, at Bonhams, The Edward Wrangham Collection of Japanese Art Part I, 9 November 2010, London, lot 38 (**sold for 1,800 GBP**).