



Chamberlain Worcester "dragon In Compartments" Bowl, C.1815, Mahogany Stand



3 000 EUR

Signature : Chamberlain Worcester

Period : 19th century

Condition : Parfait état

Material : Porcelain

Description

A rare antique porcelain punch bowl by Chamberlain Worcester, decorated in the well-known "Dragon in Compartments" pattern (also called "Bengal Tiger"). At that time, Worcester was owned by the Chamberlain family, and their name appears as a hand-written factory mark on the base.

The bowl is hand-painted with dragons and mythical beasts, each set within its own compartment, separated by ornate borders. The pattern is inspired by Chinese Kangxi porcelain. The center displays a chrysanthemum, a symbol of longevity. The color palette includes iron-red, cobalt blue, puce, pale green, yellow and gilt. The exterior painting is crisp and fresh, with excellent

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preservation of both enamels and gilding. The factory mark "Chamberlain's Worcester" is carefully hand-written in iron-red. The precision of the script suggests a prestigious commission, possibly for an aristocratic client. The original heavy wooden stand, carved from solid mahogany, is included and in excellent condition. Its deep reddish tone and solid construction are typical of quality early 19th-century English woodwork.

Bowls of this pattern and size, with their original stand and period factory mark (even partially worn), are rarely offered. This bowl ranks among the best surviving examples of early 19th-century English porcelain and is comparable to pieces in the Victoria & Albert Museum. The "Dragon in Compartments" pattern (ornament) is among the most valuable and coveted in the entire history of English porcelain. Pieces decorated in this pattern are actively sought after by collectors worldwide. Condition: Excellent antique condition. On one side, on the upper rim, there is a fine hairline crack that is barely visible. Minor wear to the gilt rim and light surface wear to the interior enamels. No chips or restorations. The mahogany stand is also in excellent condition. Dimensions: Bowl: diameter 27.5 cm, height 10.3 cm, weight 1650 g Stand: diameter 20 cm, height 5.7 cm, weight 468 g Please study the accompanying photographs carefully as they form an integral part of this description. If you have any questions, we will be happy to answer them. The item will be shipped with full tracking and insurance.