C.j. Mason First Period Chinoiserie Plate, C. 1815-1820



400 EUR

Signature : Mason

Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Ceramic

Diameter : 23.3 cm

Height : 3.7 cm

Description

An expressive early Mason chinoiserie plate with a rich ochre ground and bold enamel decoration. A serpentine dragon, butterflies and stylised birds animate the surface, framed by vibrant gilding that heightens the composition. The aesthetic reflects Regency fascination with exotic imagery and strong colour contrasts, making the plate a visually compelling display piece.
The reverse features an iron-red floral border and a small pseudo-Sèvres monogram--an early 19th-century decorative device used by several English workshops to evoke continental refinement. The plate has a strong presence and works beautifully as a wall or shelf display within a curated interior.

Historical Background

Dealer

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In the years immediately following the 1813 ironstone patent, Mason workshops developed hybrid porcelain-stone-china bodies and embraced richly coloured chinoiserie decoration. Early Mason decorators often used pseudo-Continental marks on the reverse, reflecting a desire to align with fashionable European porcelain while maintaining a distinctly English reinterpretation of Chinese themes.

Measurements
Diameter: 23.3 cm / 9.17´´
Height: 3.7 cm / 1.45´´
Weight: 431 g

Condition
Displays very well with strong colour and clear gilding.
Minor gilding wear; one hairline across the base, visible under UV only.
A lively and characterful First Period plate with strong decorative impact.

Shipping & Packaging
Fully tracked and insured delivery.
Shipping cost includes labour, packaging and postage.
Carefully packed using recycled materials where possible.
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Questions are welcome.