



"tea Caddy" From The Ca Mau Shipwreck (yongzheng Period, C. 1725)



750 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Bon état

Description

Rare white-blue porcelain tea pot (tea caddy\*) from the Chinese shipwreck found off the Vietnamese port of Ca Mau and archaeologically dated to 1725, i.e. during the reign of Emperor Yongzheng. Of the six examples at the Sotheby's sale in Amsterdam in 2007, none had its lid. There were very few of these pots in the cargo, and this one is complete, in good condition, apart from a small part missing in the delicate high-relief barbotine frieze surrounding the foot (photo). The interior has deliberately not been cleaned to bear witness to its origin. Cover a little dull, especially on the lid, otherwise in good condition, with no chips or cracks. Height: 125 mm, weight: 200 g. Reference: (last four photos) Ng Dinh Chien, 2002 "The Ca Mau Shipwreck" - 1723-1735, fig. 193, p.

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168. Sotheby's, 1997: "Made in Imperial China",  
lot 377. (\*) caddy is said to come from kati, an  
ancient Chinese unit of weight (approx. 500 g). To  
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