



## Temple Guardians, Bronze, Thailand (?), 19th Century



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Period : 19th century

Condition : Très bon état

Material : Bronze

Width : 14

Height : 36

Depth : 19

### Description

Two mythical dogs or lions standing on their hind legs--temple guardians in the Buddhist tradition. At the base of each animal, a figure is kneeling in prayer. The animals' bodies are adorned with engraved floral motifs, and their manes are decorated with colorful glass or mother-of-pearl inlays. Pairs of sculptures of this type were placed at the entrances to Buddhist temples and palaces as symbols of protection and spiritual vigilance. The decoration, consisting of floral motifs and glass inlays, is characteristic of 19th-century bronze craftsmanship in Southeast Asia. Thailand or Cambodia, 19th century. Bronze, partially inlaid with glass or mother-of-pearl, wooden base. Height of the figurine: 36 cm, width: 14 cm, depth: 19 cm. Condition: very good.

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