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Important Bronze Vase With Dragons In High Relief--height: 40 Cm--meiji Period.



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Period : 19th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Diameter : 27 cm.

Height : 40 cm.

Description

JAPAN - Meiji Period (1868-1912).An important ovoid bronze vase with a small flared neck; its body features a high-relief design of two dragons in clouds streaked with lightning, chasing the sacred pearl, with several details--such as the whiskers and claws--protruding from the bas-relief.Maker's mark.Normal wear on the patina beneath the base; very imposing and decorative.Dimensions: 40 x 27 x 27 cm.Notes: In Japanese iconography, the dragon pursuing the sacred pearl, or hoju (??), symbolizes the quest for wisdom, knowledge, and spiritual fulfillment. A celestial creature associated with the forces of nature, water, and life force, the dragon seeks to seize this fabulous pearl, a source of prosperity, protection, and the fulfillment of wishes. This motif, derived from an iconographic tradition of

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Chinese origin, evokes the search for a higher principle and mastery over cosmic forces.