





A CHINESE 'KRAAK-WARE' BOWL POA

Of round shape, with steep curving sides and subtle foliate rim, raised on a short circular foot, decorated in bright shades of underglaze blue, painted to the exterior with large panels bordered by bands of scroll-work, each enclosing a scene of figures in a river landscape, including a scholar and boy and fishing boats, interspersed with narrow panels of Iznik-style tulips, the well of the bowl is decorated with a lady spooling silk, the interior wall with further broad panels of figures in a river landscape interspersed with broad bands of tulips each divided by narrow panels of tulips, the base glazed.

Period: Transitional (c. 1635?1650)

Footnote: For a comparable example see Maura Rinaldi, Kraak Porcelain – A Moment in the History of Trade, Bamboo Publishing Ltd, London 1989, pl. 202, p.163.

Origin Chinese

Period 17th Century

Diameter Diameter: 36 cm; 14 ins.

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