



Large Japanese blue and white Arita dish, 17th century POA

Large Japanese blue and white Arita dish, 17th century, decorated in the centre with fruiting branches of pomegranate and buddha's hand citron amongst stylised leaves, the rim with eight alternating kraak-style panels, containing either flowerheads against a foliate ground or a precious scroll with an artemisia leaf within a narrow ogee-topped border; divided by narrow panels containing a four-petalled flower motif and alternating wave or hatch-pattern ground, the reverse with five spur-marks.

Condition: Restored

Notes: A similarly decorated dish is illustrated in Jörg, C.J.A., *Fine and Curious: Japanese Export Porcelain in Dutch Collections*, Hotei Publishing: Amsterdam, 2003, p.28 cat.8. Professor Jörg notes that plates of this hybrid design comprising a central design which appears to be based on Chinese late Transitional/early Kangxi wares and a rim design more closely based on export Kraak-style dishes, were highly popular in Japan. This evidenced by further examples in various collections and publications, including Impey, Oliver, 'Japanese Export Porcelain; Catalogue of the Collection of the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford; Hotei: Amsterdam, 2002, p.109. Cat.128; and Complete Catalogue of the Shibata Collection; The Kyushu Ceramic Museum, Kyushu, 2003, p.332, cat.2593.

Material and Technique	Porcelain with underglaze cobalt blue decoration
Origin	Japanese
Period	17th Century
Condition	Other
Diameter	32.8cm. (13 ¼ in.)

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