



Fine Safavid fritware dish, 17th century POA

Fine Safavid fritware dish, 17th century, with a gently lobed rim and decorated in a bright underglaze blue in the Kraak style; with a central floral-shaped roundel containing a jardiniere with root-like growths, containing an assortment of flowers and foliage, against a ground of foliate scrolls; the wide rim divided into six large panels containing alternating cartouches with peacocks perching amongst flowers or tasselled scrolls, separated by narrow sections with stylised pendant tassels; the reverse with six further compartments with sprays of foliate fruit divided by narrow sections to the rim and a square pseudo-mark to the base.

Dimensions:

Diameter: 27.2 cm. (10.3/4 in.)

Condition:

Hair-line near base; foot rim chipped; four small chips to rim and three small frits; please see images.

Notes:

For a discussion of similar examples of Safavid Kraak-style dishes please see Y. Crowe, *Persia and China: Safavid Blue and White Ceramics in the Victoria and Albert Museum, 1501-1738*, London, 2002, pp.61-66.

Material and Technique	Fritware with underglaze blue decoration
Origin	Oriental Other
Period	17th Century
Condition	Consistent with age
Diameter	Diameter: 27.2 cm. (10.3/4 in.)