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Japanese blue and white kakiemon style lobed dish, Edo period (late 17th century) POA

Japanese blue and white kakiemon style lobed dish, Edo period (late 17th century), decorated in the centre with two figures or scholars on a riverbank gazing at a waterfall from beneath a pine tree, the wide border decorated with a continuous scene of two tigers on rockwork amidst bamboo, blossoming prunus and other flowering plants, the petalled rim glazed brown, the reverse decorated with a scroll of karakusa and a cursive fuku mark ('happiness') to the base.

Condition: tiny frit to rim.

There is a dish of identical design illustrated in Jörg, Christiaan, 'Fine and Curious, Japanese Export Porcelain in Dutch Collections', p.147, no.162. Another slightly larger example is illustrated in 'Porcelain for Palaces: The Fashion for Japan in Europe 1650-1750', p. 158, no. 133, formerly in the collection of the Duchess of Portland.

Material and Technique Porcelain with underglaze cobalt blue decoration

Origin Japanese

Period 17th Century

Condition Other

Diameter 27cm. (10 4/6 in.)

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