

Vase - With decoration imitating so-called Saracen (Arabic) silk fabric

Ceramics and Glass Collection

Accession Nr.: 20913 

Manufacturer: Zsolnay factory (Pécs)

Date of production: ca. 1920

Place of production: Pécs

Inscription: alján masszába nyomva: ZSOLNAY / PÉCS / 4067;
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Materials: hard earthenware

Techniques: cast; painted with polychrome eosin glazes

Dimensions: height: 28 cm
opening diameter: 6 cm
base diameter: 7,5 cm

>The oriental decor – included griffins, dragons, qilin and palmette-leaves – adorning the Zsolnay vase, imitates the pattern of a 13th-century North African “Saracen” (Arabic) silk fabric preserved in the Museum of Applied Arts in Vienna. The ornamentation was published in Pattern Book of Friedrich Fischbach, titled *Ornamente der Gewebe* (Hanau 1874). (Fig. 15/B – see [here](#) and [here](#))

