

Small vase - With red glaze and fish

Ceramics and Glass Collection

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Date of production: ca. 1905

Inscription: alján masszába nyomva: nagyméretű, írott LP
monogram, benne két méh / VII / ENGLAND

Materials: hard earthenware

Techniques: reduction-fired metallic lustre; thrown; with metallic lustre

Dimensions: height: 9,3 cm
maximum width: 8,3 cm
opening diameter: 2,7 cm
base diameter: 3,9 cm

The bulging, egg-shaped body stands on a straight foot and ends in a cylindrical, splaying neck with a round top rim. The plain surface is decorated with a painted pattern of fish swimming among twisted seaweed stems and bubbles. The pattern is repeated four times on the body. The delicately drawn motifs appear silvery-yellow over the dark ruby base. At the bottom, two lines mark the bottom of the water, enriched with some plants of a lighter shade. At the neck, the thickening seaweed and bubble motifs twist and come together.

The vase described above is a small-size, yet quality piece of the «Lancastrian Lustred Pottery», which being one of the most outstanding successors of the lustre technique of sixteenth century Italian, Deruta and Gubbio workshops, won several prizes at different exhibitions.

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