



A dragon-shaped patinated bronze inkwell, 19th century

Era: XIX century.

Materials: Patinated Bronze.

Dim: W: 38 cm/ H: 4,5 cm/ D: 5,5 cm.

A patinated bronze pirogue-shaped inkwell representing a dragon. The boat rests on four legs and is carved with scales and geometric motifs. Balls run around the edges of the inkwell; at the ends are two ink receptacles with hinged lids holding a flower. The dragon boat is a type of dugout canoe used for legendary races held every year in China.