



Funerary Jar with Cover

Date

Song Dynasty (A.D. 960-1279)

Primary Maker

Unidentified artist

Medium

porcelaneous stoneware with yingqing (qingbai) celadon glaze

Description

Each tall slender vessel with plain ovoid body and slightly tapering ribbed neck, applied with a row of standing figures dressed as court dignitaries above a frilled collar at the base of the neck, below a dragon coiled around one vase and a tiger coiled around the other, the bulbous mouth of each vase surmounted by high pointed cover with bird finial, the porcelain covered with a translucent glaze of pale bluish tint. (Note: bases provided are contemporary, and will not be used for display at Ackland.)

Dimensions

jar: 17 5/8 x 5 1/4 x 5 1/4 in. (44.8 x 13.3 x 13.3 cm)

cover: 5 1/4 x 4 1/2 x 4 1/2 in. (13.3 x 11.4 x 11.4 cm)