

VANDERVEN ORIENTAL ART



Porcelain Tankard

Blue & White Porcelain, Height: 18.5 cm | Diameter: 10 cm, China, Transitional Period (1635-1644)

A blue and white porcelain tankard, so-called "Snelle". The decoration in underglaze blue shows a landscape with two scholars and their servants, with a pine tree and rock in the background. At the bottom a wide rim with stylized motif, at the top a rim with ornaments, with a stylized cloud motif on the curve of the handle.

This is a typical example of Chinese export porcelain or Chine de Commande. A Dutch pewter jug (Snelle) copied by the porcelain makers in China for the Dutch East India Company - VOC.