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A PAIR OF PAKTONG CANDLESTICKS

China, circa 1750

Paktong is a rare Chinese alloy, and was highly prized due ot its similarities in appearance to silver, as was used to fashion all manner of domestic items from candlesticks to firegrates.

An alloy of zinc, copper and nickel. The vital silver coloured ingredient or component, nickel, was not identified in the West until the second half of the 18th century.

A fine and rare pair of Chinese mid 18th century paktong candlesticks, closely following English 18th century designs.

Literature:

K. Pinn, Paktong: The Chinese Alloy in Europe, 1680 - 1820, 1999

Height: 0' 7"/||" in (20 cm) Width: 0' 43"/||" in (11 cm) Depth: 0' 43"/||" in (11 cm)

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