


Ceramic roof figure: prancing animal

Chinese Collection

Accession Nr.:	876 
Type:	ceramics; architectural fragment
Date of production:	17th–19th centuries
Place of production:	China
Materials:	earthenware
Techniques:	glazed
Dimensions:	height: 33.8 cm

This is a decorative figure of the eaves of Chinese buildings. It depicts a steer-like mythical beast (Chinese xieqi) prancing and leaning against a cloud. The beast is standing on its fore-legs and swinging its hind legs. Its face is elaborately modelled.

