


Tsuba

Japanese Collection

Accession Nr.:	1022 
Type:	weapons and armament; metalwork; martial accessory
Date of production:	18th century Edo (Tokugawa) period
Place of production:	Japan
Signed:	Bushō no jū Masatora (artist's signature)
Materials:	iron
Techniques:	openwork
Dimensions:	height: 7.6 cm width: 7.2 cm
Acquisition:	collection of Ferenc Hopp

From the artistic point of view, the most important were the sword fittings (kodōgu). The grip and the blade were separated by metal guards of 8–10 cm width (tsuba), signed pieces of which dated back to the 16th century.

