

Kōgai with dragon-and waves motif

Japanese Collection

Accession Nr.:	4604 
Type:	weapons and armament; metalwork; martial accessory
Date of production:	Mid-19th century Edo (Tokugawa) period
Place of production:	Kyoto, Japan
Signed:	made by Naosada in the Eastern district of Kyoto
Materials/Techniques:	shakudō, gilt
Dimensions:	height: 20.5 cm width: 1 cm depth: 0.5 cm
Acquisition:	collected by Péter Vay

Smaller blades and hairpins (kozuka and kōgai) with similarly ornamented handles and carried in a slot cut in the scabbard had their own place on either side of the handle.

