

Prayer bell

Mongolian Collection

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Type: metalwork; musical instruments; religious/ritual equipment

Date of production: turn of the 19-20 century

Place of production: Mongolia

Materials: bronze

Techniques: cast

Dimensions: height: 14 cm
diameter: 7.5 cm

This bell made of bronze used during Buddhist ceremonies. The handle and the body of the bell are cast separately and are attached to each other by soldering. Because of the face on the handle, the five-ponged vajra at the end of the handle this is probably votive bell. Its body is unadorned, except for the eight seed syllables of deities in the eight lotus petal at the top and vajra-garland.

