

Small flask with the character of long life (shou)

Chinese Collection

Accession Nr.: 9613 

Type: object for daily use; pottery

Date of production: 11th–13th centuries
Song dynasty

Place of production: Henan province, China

Materials: stoneware

Techniques: glazed; painted

Dimensions: height: 8 cm
diameter (mouth): 1.6 cm
talpátmárő: 3.1 cm

The shape of this small vase resembles to that of double-handled flat flasks which were highly popular in the Tang period. The auspicious character means “long life”. The characteristic calligraphy style of these inscriptions is called “rice writing” (Chinese: mishu). Song- and Jin-dynasties.

