

# Aikuchi tantō, with plum blossom and flying bees, and with a kōgai

Japanese Collection

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| Accession Nr.:        | 3378.1-4  |
| Type:                 | weapons and armament; metalwork                                                            |
| Date of production:   | First half of the 19th century<br>Edo (Tokugawa) period                                    |
| Place of production:  | Japan                                                                                      |
| Materials/Techniques: | steel, bronze, gold, silver, lacquer, wood                                                 |
| Dimensions:           | length: 35.7 cm                                                                            |
| Acquisition:          | collection of Ferenc Hopp                                                                  |

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. Source: Fajcsák Györgyi (ed.): Japán vörös és fekete. Hagyományos japán viselet és kortárs magyar ékszerek / Japanese 'Rouge et Noir'. Traditional Japanese Wear and Traditional Hungarian Jewellery. Budapest, Iparművészeti Múzeum, 2013.

