


Beg-tse dharmapala, the Red Mahákála, the God of War

Mongolian Collection

Accession Nr.:	76.41.1 
Type:	painting; textile; thangka
Date of production:	mid-19th century
Place of production:	Mongolia
Materials:	canvas
Techniques:	painted
Dimensions:	frame: height: 129 cm width: 76 cm image: height: 72.5 cm width: 49 cm

Begtse Dharmapala, the God of War wears an armour and Mongolia boats. He stands in a stepping out position trampling on a green dead horse and a human corpse. He holds a flaming sword with scorpion handle with his right hand, and lifts a human heart to his mouth with his left hand. He also holds a red banner. Begtse's jewelry and his appearance shows the typical marks of the Dharmapalas, the Guardians of the Buddhist Doctrine. His body is surrounded by flames.

