

Sceptre

Chinese Collection

Accession Nr.: **1607** 

Type: **lacquers**

Date of production: 18th–19th centuries
Qing dynasty

Place of production: **China**

Materials: **lacquer; wood**

Techniques: **carved**

Dimensions: length: 40 cm

The Chinese term for sceptre means “Let it be done as you wish”. The head of the sceptre is in the form of a mushroom, symbol of good luck and of long life. There is an elephant with a vase containing corals on the top of the mushroom. The elephant is the Buddhist symbol of strength and intelligence.

