


Cranes with a pine tree (fragment)

Chinese Collection

Accession Nr.:	72.42.1 
Type:	painting; hanging scroll
Date of production:	14th century Ming dynasty
Place of production:	China
Materials:	silk brocade
Techniques:	ink; mounted; painted
Dimensions:	width: 77 cm length: 215 cm rúdvéggel: 82.5 cm

In spite of their small size, the bird-and-flower paintings are characterised by perfect compositions, fine details, and accurate colouring. In this picture, large pine trees stretch upwards and almost absolutely hide the peaks behind them. The crane is the symbol of longevity in Chinese mythology.

