

Ceramic roof figure: console terminal in the shape of an animal's head from Temple of Heaven, Beijing

Chinese Collection

Accession Nr.: **447** 

Type: **sculpture; ceramics; architectural fragment**

Date of production: **18th century**
Qing dynasty

Place of production: **China**

Materials: **earthenware**

Techniques: **glazed**

Dimensions: **height: 15 cm**
length: 21 cm
width: 17 cm

Acquisition: **collection of Ferenc Hopp**

The uniqueness of Chinese roofs lies in the peculiar shape and the specific features of tiles. The roof ridge ends are decorated with stylized figures of beasts (Chinese *qiwen*). The ridge ornament, coated with dark blue glaze, is decorated with reliefs depicting scales and combing waves.

