

SET OF FIVE CEREMONIAL VESSELS

A censer in the center, flanked by two flower-vases and two candlesticks, was used in the worship of ancestors. The handles of the censer and flower-vases are formed by scepters of good augury (Ju-i) ornamented with cloud patterns. The cover of the censer is surmounted by a lion playing with a ball. The three feet are formed by unicorn heads of leonine character.

Made in the imperial atelier of the Sung dynasty.

For more information consult general label.

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