

VASES

Of archaic style, in the shape of vases of the Han period, with spherical bodies, short necks, and flaring rims. Decorated with tiger-heads in high relief, holding movable rings, and with two horizontal registers and eight vertical panels that contain conventionalized animals in relief, set off from a background of frets.

Made in the imperial atelier of the Sung dynasty.

SUNG PERIOD

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