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ESKENAZI SHOWS CHINESE CERAMICS OF THE SONG DYNASTY (960 to 1279 AD)

Song: Chinese Ceramics, 10th to 13th century (Part 5)

10 May to 1 June 2018



Eskenazi will present an exhibition of 20 ceramics of the Song Dynasty from 10 May to 1 June 2018 in London. Widely recognised as the pinnacle of Chinese ceramic art, Song ceramics have been revered for centuries and influenced design worldwide into the 21st century.

Echoing the scholar spirit of the Song dynasty and the period's appreciation for the life force of nature, or *qi*, the ceramics will be shown alongside *Gogottes: a Rift in Time*, the first exhibition at Eskenazi dedicated solely to a phenomenon of the natural world (*see separate press release*).

The Song Dynasty (960 to 1279 AD) was a golden age in China. Great prosperity led to huge social and economic changes, and intellectual and technological advances that shaped Chinese culture and politics for centuries to follow. It was during this time that ceramic art combined inventive advances in design, decoration, glaze and firing techniques with aesthetic refinement.

This is the fifth exhibition at Eskenazi solely dedicated to Song ceramics. It will present fine examples at relatively accessible prices and will include a representative group of ceramics of the period, including tea bowls, dishes and vases from many of the most renowned kilns of the period. Selected highlights from the exhibition are below.



Glazed Porcellaneous Stoneware 'Dragon' Dish
Jin period, 12th - 13th century
Ding kilns, Hebei province
Diameter: 18.6cm



Celadon-glazed Stoneware Circular Box and Cover
Five Dynasties or Northern Song period, 10th century
Yue ware, Shanglinhu kilns, Zhejiang province
Diameter: 8.1cm
Height: 6.8cm



'Tortoiseshell'-glazed Tea-bowl
Southern Song period, 12th - 13th century
Jizhou ware, Yonghe kilns, Ji'an, Jiangxi province
Diameter: 12.0cm



Black-glazed Ribbed Ewer and Cover
Northern Song or Jin period, 12th century
Northern blackware of Cizhou type
Height: 14.4cm



Glazed Stoneware Vase (meiping)
Northern Song period, 11th - 12th century
Cizhou wares, Hebei or Henan province
Height: 41.7cm



Glazed Stoneware 'Partridge Feather' Tea-bowl
Northern Song or Jin period, 11th - 12th century
Northern blackware of Cizhou type
Diameter: 13.0cm



Glazed Stoneware Censer
Jin period, 1115 - 1234
Jun kilns, Henan province
Diameter of rim: 6.5cm

Eskenazi Ltd is widely recognised as one of the world's leading galleries for Chinese works of art and its exhibitions are always eagerly awaited for the rarity and beauty of the objects offered. The family business was founded in Milan in 1923 and the Eskenazi name has since become synonymous with expertise in this area. Giuseppe Eskenazi, who has been head of the business for over fifty years, has an unrivalled reputation for his knowledge and love of the subject and clients have included over eighty of the world's major museums as well as private collectors. Visit www.eskenazi.co.uk for further details.

Location: Eskenazi Ltd, 10 Clifford Street, London W1S 2LJ

Opening hours during exhibition:

Monday to Friday	09.30 - 17.30
Saturday, 12 May	10.00 - 17.00
Sunday, 13 May	10.00 - 17.00
Saturday, 19 May	10.00 - 13.00
Saturday, 26 May	10.00 - 13.00

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