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CERTIFICATE

TERRACOTTA KANTHAROS ETRUSCA - 4 Th century BC

MATERIAL AND TECHNIQUE: Vessel of black terracotta, with flat sides, fixed to a piedouche. Two handles of a big size, symmetrical that give great elegance to the vessel. Hand made with a potter's wheel.

Excellent state of preservation.

ORIGIN: This style of *kantharos*, with the pedestal in the form of a trumpet, is related in shape to the *kyathos*, that Attic pottery known by 600 B.C. It is traditionally associated with the cult of the god of wine, Dionysos. Imitating blackened metal, *heavy bucchero*, like in this piece, is a monochrome shiny pottery made either of black or grey clay fashioned on a potter's wheel. The colour is obtained from reduction firing through fumigation of the mass. Discovered in great quantities in the *bucchero* production centers such as Cerveteri, Tarquinia and Veies, in Italy, these elegant pieces were part of the everyday tableware of Etruscans who still remain the most brilliant indigenous civilisation of the area.

DIMENSIONS: Height with handles 14,2 cm width : 18.4 cm

PROVENANCE: ancient French Collection - Bought on the French market

Police book registration number: 1502