

JAPANESE TETSUBIN WITH POETIC LANDSCAPE

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c. 1900 • Japan • Bronze, Steel • Collection #CFC165 W: 5.0" D: 6.5" H: 6.0"

With a short spout and an elegant, arched handle, this Japanese teapot was used to boil water for traditional tea ceremonies. Known as tetsubin, the kettle's cast-iron construction is said to change the quality of the water, making tea taste mellow and sweet. This six-sided tetsubin is cast in low relief with poetry and a serene scene of a farmer carrying his harvest through a mountainous landscape. The lid is finely cast of bronze with a bud-form knob.