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Fine Meiji period Japanese bronze vase

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Height: 23 cm (9.1")

Diameter: 10 cm (3.9")

Description

A fine Meiji period Japanese bronze vase of slender form with a stylised dragon to the the neck, circa 1870.

The Meiji Period (1868-1912) marked Japan's rapid modernisation and Westernisation following the fall of the Tokugawa shogunate. Under Emperor Meiji, the country underwent political, economic, and social transformations. Feudal domains were replaced by a centralised government, and the samurai class dissolved.

Modern industries, transportation, and education systems flourished. The 1889 Meiji Constitution established a constitutional monarchy. Militarily, Japan strengthened, defeating China (1895) and Russia (1905), asserting itself as a global power.

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