



Ceramic Tanuki Imitating a Monk

The tanuki, also known as the Japanese raccoon dog, is very much a real animal that resembles a furry fox-like canid with a masked visage similar to that of a raccoon. Within Japan the tanuki is believed to be a shape-shifting, hedonistic and jovial trickster. This piece is created in reference to the Japanese fairy-tale where a Japanese raccoon dog disguises himself as a monk. The seal on the bottom reads: Tooru (or Kyo)

PRICE

\$18,500

PERIOD:	c.1825
ORIGIN:	Japan
DIMENSIONS:	11.5" h x 11.5" w x 12" d 29.2cm h x 29.2cm w x 30.5cm d
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