

A PAIR OF CHINESE SANG DE BOEUF PORCELAIN VASE LAMPS

Dimensions: H: 27 in / 70 cm | Dia: 7 in / 18 cm

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A pair of vintage Chinese Sang de Boeuf(Bull's Blood) porcelain antique vase lamps of stepped bottle form, dressed with French ormolu mounts. This pair, with the rich red coloration of Sang de Boeuf effected by use of copper in the glaze, had been employed in decoration since the Sung dynasty. Originally the vases were employed as oil lamps and fitted with ormolu bases in the oriental taste and oil reservoirs and burners. Thus, artistic effort, knowledge, and tradition was combined with typical Victorian practicality, and with our adaptation for electricity, a century and a half later, the decorative lighting function is in use again.
Chinese & French, circa 1870

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