

Saint Jerome (inv. 00175)

Author: Anonymous (Indo-Portuguese)

Place: China

Period: 17th or early 18th century (?)

Material: ivory, polychromy

Measurements: 24,2 x 8,6 x 7,5 cm

Origin: purchased by Jean van Caloen

Description: Saint Jerome represented as a cardinal (on the back hangs his prelate hat), with bare chest, holds in his right hand a boulder with which he chastises himself. He stands on a rock. In front of it a lion, another attribute of the church father. The animal as well as the saint's face and beard suggest a Chinese origin. Traces of polychromy can be found in the hair and beard, as well as in the robe, the prelate's hat and the lion.

Exhibition:

Bibliography:

