



BLUE AND WHITE LOTUS TEA CUP

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c. 1900 • Shanxi, China • Porcelain • Collection #BJFF129E

H: 2.0" Dia: 2.75"

The delicate blue and white floral design of this porcelain teacup was painted in a muted, grey pigment, only to be transformed to a rich, cobalt blue by the fiery heat of the kiln. Each side of the teacup is painted with a single lotus, an emblem of summer and a symbol of purity and perfection. Retaining the immediacy of the artist's brushwork, the design offers a sense of simplicity and spontaneity that looks as fresh today as it did serving tea at the turn of the 20th century.



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