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FRITWARE DISH, PAINTED IN BLUE UNDER A TRANSPARENT GLAZEUR

IRAN, NISHAPUR (?); 2ND HALF OF 15TH CENTURY

H: 7.7; DIAM: 41.5 CM

The influence of the Far East is one of the characteristic elements in Iranian art from the 15th century, as a direct result of the commercial and diplomatic links between the Timurids and Ming-dynasty China.

This dish belongs to a group of Timurid ceramics made after c. 1450 that was very closely modeled on Ming porcelain produced shortly before, in around 1420-1440. Costly porcelain was used by the social elite, something that undoubtedly encouraged local ceramists to make very high-quality copies.

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