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1 - Lama
Gilt bronze
Height: 13,5 cm
15th century
Tibet





2 - Head of a female deity

Terracotta

Height: 21 cm

Circa 5th c. Gupta period

India or Bangladesh

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3 - Sitting Buddha

Gilt bronze

Height: 16 cm

17th century

Tibet or China



4 - Sitting Buddha or Bodhisattva
Polychrome wood
Height: 31,5 cm
Yuan dynasty (1279 -1368)
China





5 - **Simhavaktra**
Black stone
Height: 17,3 cm
14th century
Tibet



6 - Pair of Horse Fittings
Gilt iron, wood, skin-fish
Height: 65 cm
14-15th c.
Tibet or China



This pair of horse fittings is made of pierced, chiseled and gilded iron, fixed by rivets on leather. Five wood finials are covered with green fish-skin. Main oblong plaques are made up of an openwork sheet of gilded iron. Underneath comes another iron sheet damascened with gold chevron-patterns. Between leather support and iron elements come blue and red pieces of silk.



Sinuous dragons are displayed in intricate foliage in Yuan Chinese style (on the main element two dragons surround an innocent grazing goat). Following patterns are also specific from Yuan-early Ming period: spirals on the upper element and damascened chevrons.

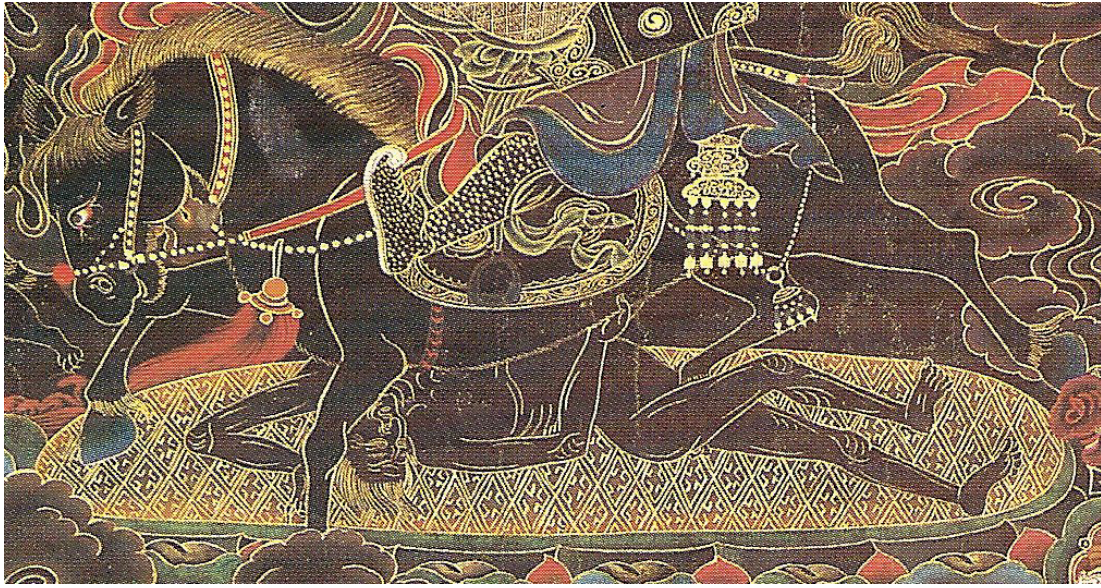


Fig. 1: *Art ésotérique de l'Himalaya, La donation Lionel Fournier, cat.83, P. 146.*



Fig. 2: *Wisdom and Compassion, the Sacred Art of Tibet, Kubera, cat. 45, p.163*

These fittings adorned horses back and were located behind the saddle. Some thangkas show how they were displayed (see Fig. 1 and 2). Such complete sets, from 14-15th century are extremely rare, and no similar works seem to have been published yet.



7 - Heruka and the 58 wrathful deities

Pigments on cloth

50x40 cm

14th century

Tibet



8 - Buddha's Eight great events

Stone

Height: 14,5 cm

Pagan period, 12th century

Burma



9 - Textile

Silk brocaded

70x70 cm

10-12th c.

Central Asia for Islamic world



10 - **Syamatara**
Gilt bronze
Height: 12,2 cm
16th century
Tibet





11 - Standing Tara

Tara

Gilt bronze

Height: 16,5 cm

Circa 1400, Nepal

Prabhamandala

Gilt copper repoussé

Height: 30 cm

13th c., Nepal

Note: Presence of 8 Taras on the mandorla let us think that this beautiful repoussé once enshrined a Tara.





12 - **Crown,**
Pair of phoenixes flanking a flaming gem
Gilt copper repoussé
Height: 18,5 cm
Liao Dynasty, 10th-11th century
China



13 - **Heruka**
Hard Wood
Height: 17,5 cm
13th century
Tibet