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Egyptian Alabastron

An ancient Egyptian banded alabaster alabastron with cylindrical neck, broad splayed lip, tapered body and two lug handles.

Late Period.
Ca. 700 - 30 BC.
Height: 3 in. (7.6 cm).



Alabaster was prized by the ancient Egyptians for its translucence and decorative veining, qualities which were further emphasized in the carving process.

Formerly in the collection of Wilhelm Horn (1870-1959), Berlin, Germany; Christie's, London, December 11, 1987, lot 215; subsequently in the collection of Jerome Eisenberg, New York.

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