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Etruscan Bucchero Chalice

An ancient Etruscan bucchero chalice with a pedestal foot, the basin with a pronounced border at the bottom above which are incised bands.



Etruria.
Ca. 625 - 550 BC.
Height: 3 3/8 in. (8.6 cm).

Bucchero ware was the distinct local pottery type of ancient Etruria. It is distinguished by its delicately potted black earthen fabric as well as its glossy, burnished black surface, often with incision work. Bucchero ware was produced through the unique "reduction" method in which it was fired.

cf.: I. Jucker, Italy of the Etruscans, (Mainz, 1991), p. 156-7, nos. 184-5.

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