

A Raku chawan (tea bowl), decorated in a black glaze, falling short of the biscuit foot rim Japan, 17th century, Edo period

Dimensions: H. 8cm x Diam. 11.5cm (31/4" x 43/4"

Shikibako (attestation box) inscribed:

Lid: Ichinyu zo (made by Ichinyu), kuro chawan (black tea bowl), Ju-dai Tannyu shiki (attested by the 10th generation Tannyu) with Raku seal

A collector's label 8 to the base

Provenance: a private Danish collection

Raku Ichinyu (1640-1696) was the son of Raku Donyu (1599-1656) and the 4th generation of the House of Raku, a family who has continuously produced Raku tea bowls since being founded by Chojiro (d. 1589). Although Ichinyu changed his style of ceramic making throughout his career, his works are generally considered to be rather small in size, sombre in colour and glossy in texture.

Raku Tannyu (1795-1854) is the 10th generation of the Raku family.





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