

ANTIQUE CHINESE FAMILLE ROSE LAMP, OWNED BY THE VANDERBILT-HAVEMEYER FAMILY

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Antique Chinese famille rose enamel lamp, late Qing red signature, 4-character markings on reverse. Purchased from Richard Stedman Estate Treasures Auction, titled "Vanderbilt Treasures", Lot 111, 1/30/24, Heirlooms of 19th C. Vanderbilt-Havemeyer Ancestors. The Havemeyer family ran the American Sugar Refining which became Domino's Sugar in 1900. In 1910, Electra Havemeyer married into the Old Westbury, Long Island branch of the Vanderbilt-Whitney family, where this lamp is from. Gertrude Vanderbilt-Whitney (1875-1942) the great-granddaughter of railroad shipping tycoon Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt, married to Harry Payne Whitney. Gertrude, a sculptor and philanthropist founded the Whitney Museum of American Art in 1931, after the Metropolitan Museum of Art refused her donation of over 500 works of art from her private collection and offering to build a wing to house them, because they would not accept American artwork (only European art.) This is how and why Gertrude founded The Whitney Museum, the first museum to recognize and promote American and female artists. At one time Gertrude was regarded as the wealthiest woman in America. She was the aunt who raised Gloria Vanderbilt, after a long public custody battle, Havemeyer's were prominent art patrons, donors to The Metropolitan Museum of Art, founders of the Shelburne Museum, significant American collectors of French impressionist art, Dutch Old Master paintings, Asian ceramics, and early American Folk Art. Havemeyer Street in Brooklyn was named after their family. A great find for pottery collectors and interior

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