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Title Pair of Enamelled and Gem-Inset Gold Bangles (Kada) with Floral Motifs and Enamelled Floral Ornamentation on Interior

Date 17th - 18th century

Medium Enameled gold, pearls, diamonds

Description These bangles are decorated in red enamel, inlaid with a floral chain of inset diamonds. The outer edges of the bangles are lined with pearls. On the reverse are polychrome enamel designs, with red flowers and green leaves on a white ground. Traditional Indian jewelry incorporates an array of precious materials. The Indian subcontinent was rich with natural deposits of gemstones. Diamonds were mined in the Golconda region of India. During the reign of the Mughal empire, vast trade networks brought a wealth of precious stones to the Indian subcontinent. Pearls were imported from the Persian Gulf; rubies arrived

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from present-day Sri Lanka and Myanmar; and the finest emeralds came all the way from Columbia.

Dimensions Overall: 3 in. (7.6cm)