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Title Polychrome Ceramic Dish with Confronted Peacocks

Date 16th - 17th century

Medium Stonepaste, underglaze-painted over a slip coating
Description This Iznik ware dish is decorated with a design featuring two
confronted peacocks against a bright, turquoise ground. The birds rest on
a central flower-filled vase flanked on either side by flowering stems. The
rim of the plate is embellished by a rock-and-wave pattern, a Chineseinspired motif that frequently features in Iznik pottery. While designs

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incorporating flowering plants dominated Iznik designs, animal imagery also appeared in the late 1500s, possibly originating from animal motifs found on metalwork from the Balkans from the 1300s and 1400s.

Dimensions Overall: 2 1/4 x 11 1/8 in. (5.7 x 28.2cm)