

Object Summary



Pair of Gem-Set Enamelled Gold Bracelets with Confronted Elephant Heads and Enamelled (Kundun) Floral Ornamentation on Interior

19th century

India

British India/Princely States

Enameled gold, rubies, diamonds

Overall: 3 5/16 in. (8.4cm)

These bangles, called kada, are inset with diamonds and white zircons and decorated with delicate designs in enamel. Playful elephant heads meet at their terminals. Both the outer and inner face of the bangles are

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decorated in light pink and white flowers in enamel. The practice of enameling the inner face of jewelry is characteristic of Jaipur, which was the center of enameling in India in the 1700s and 1800s.