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Antique & Contemporary Silver

## Rare enamelled silver 'Galaxy' vase

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£15,800



REF: 9703

Height: 215 mm (8.46")

Diameter: 135 mm (5.31")

Weight: 919 g

## Description

Cylindrical flared form vase, finely engraved and enamelled in champlevé and basse-taille techniques, with subtle engraving swirls around the sides, the central theme are the numerous stars incorporated into the design, some plain, others engraved or enamelled, on one side a central star is surrounded by a red enamelled burst of rays and with swirls enamelled in blues emanating from the flames, gilded to the interior.

Although they are all enamel techniques, champlevé and basse-taille differ from cloisonné. Cloisonné involves building up compartments with wire, while champlevé and basse-taille involve carving or etching grooves into the metal base. Basse-taille, in turn, is a variation of champlevé that uses translucent enamels over the carved designs to create subtle effects.

This glorious enamelled silver vase is not available to purchase online. Please contact us if you would like more information or are interested to buy it.