

12. Offering Altar (*vedi*)

Khương Mỹ, Quảng Nam

9th-10th century

Sandstone: H. 90 cm; W. 114 cm; D. 114 cm

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This object was collected by Finot and Lajonquière in Khương Mỹ and taken to the EFEO Museum in Sài Gòn in 1901 and then moved to the Museum in Đà Nẵng in 1918. In Parmentier's catalogue (1919: 61), it was classified under the group 'pedestal' that he encoded number 22.

It is a square block with high relief carvings on the four sides. The front has a horse's head and on each side a saddled horse rider is flanked by two big wheels. The harness consists of a simple bridle. The figure, dressed in a sampot with fold, wears earrings, a necklace and a diadem with medallions, behind which a large round bun of hair emerges.