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ANCIENT EGYPTIAN BLUE FAÏENCE BEAKER

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NEW KINGDOM – 20TH DYNASTY

SIZE: 5.5CM HIGH, 4.5CM DIA – 2¼ INS HIGH, 1¾ INS DIA

LITERATURE

INSCRIBED IN A DARKER BLUE CARTOUCHE FOR THE NEW KINGDOM PHARAOH RAMESES III THIS BEAKER IS A RITUAL FUNERARY VESSEL THAT WAS MOST PROBABLY FOUND IN HIS TOMB. THESE WERE ALSO MADE IN METAL AND CARVED FROM STONE, BUT THE BLUE OF THE FAÏENCE USED FOR THIS FUNERARY BEAKER WAS IMPORTANT BECAUSE OF ITS SYMBOLIC ASSOCIATIONS WITH RESURRECTION AND REBIRTH.