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ANTIQUE

Turned egg-form porphyry vase

red porphyry
6½ h × 3½ dia in (16 × 9 cm)

Since the ancient times, porphyry has been historically treasured as a luxury item for its distinct purplish red color and the rarity. The quarrying and transporting of porphyry required skillful handling due to the stone's hardness, and the Roman Empire was able to further increase its value by monopolizing the industry in the Egyptian desert.

Estimate: \$1,000–1,500

Result: \$1,114

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