

Puppy, a porcelain figurine by Konakovo Faience Factory, 1952-1959.

Measures approx. 5 ¼"(H) x 6 ½"(L) x 3 ½"(W). Glazed porcelain, polychrome paints. Maker marked on the bottom. This iteration of the Konakovo logo was in use from 1952 to 1959 (fig. #364 in Volume One of Marks on Soviet Porcelain, Faience, and Majolica, 1917-1991 by Nasonova et al.). This statuette is listed on p. 86, item #51, in Pocket Price Catalog Soviet Porcelain by Beloglazov (see our last photo). Please note that the price is for the Russian market as of the year of the catalog's publication, 2012.

In very good condition. At close inspection, craquelure is evident on the surface but it is not too detractive or even noticeable.

The Konakovo Faience Factory was founded in 1809 in the village of Kuznetsovo, Tver Region, and prospered until the death of its founder, A. Auerbach. Auerbach's heirs were not as successful in running the business, and in 1870 the factory and all its debt were bought out by Matvey Kuznetsov who by then was in porcelain and faience business and very successful. Curiously, it was by pure coincidence that his last name was the same as the name of the village. When Bolsheviks came to power, the factory was nationalized and continued to grow, manufacturing a wide assortment of utilitarian, propagandistic, presentational and purely artistic items in faience and porcelain. The factory did not handle the economic changes of the post-Soviet period well. It went into bankruptcy and was closed in 2006.

Please note that the penny in our photo is for size reference.

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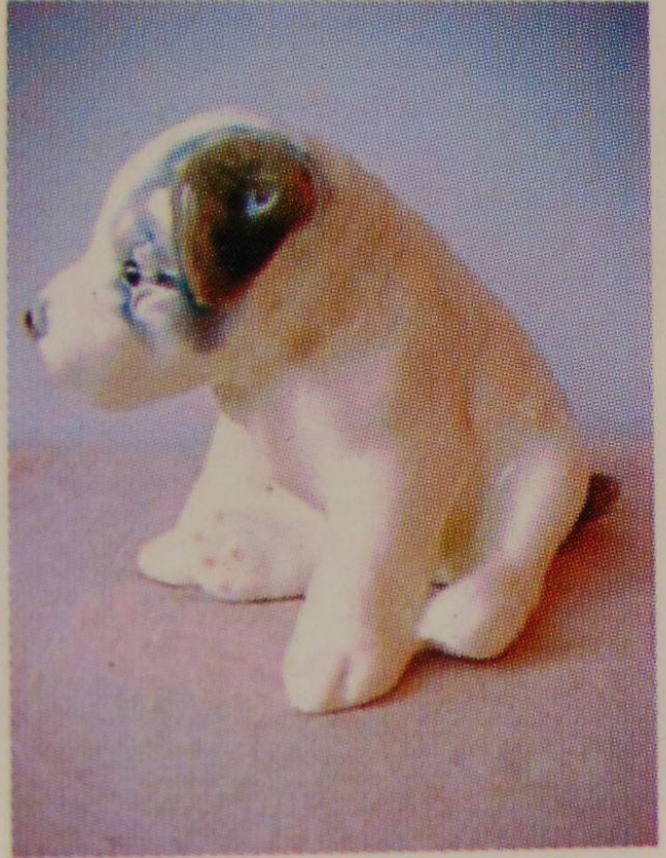


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