



ALTFIELD

JAPANESE SCREENS

MAKERS OF CONTEMPORARY HAND-PAINTED SCREENS

USING TRADITIONAL TECHNIQUES



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Japanese Screens

Traditional folding screens from Japan, known as Bayou-literally “protection from the wind” -were originally developed to be used as dividers both indoors and outdoors, the zigzag construction allowing them to be either free-standing or wall mounted. These functional and versatile screens evolved in format over the years to allow greater artistic freedom. The development of the innovative and unobtrusive paper hinge allowed one vast expanse of unbroken paper which was suitable for continuous large scale horizontal compositions, and format thus came into being which was accepted by the Japanese as a serious medium for important artists.

Though simple in appearance, folding screens are complicated structures made of paper and wood, The individual panels are composed of carefully jointed wood lattice frames, covered on both sides with layers of paper that form a dense, elastic mattress. Squares of gold, silver and metal leaf, are applied by hand to the paper base and the painting is done on the gilded surface. Lacquer rails are then applied to the perimeter to finish the edges of the screen and provide support.

The group of screens collected together here in our collection displays a wide variety of themes and includes works representative of most of the major schools of Japanese art, with a focus on the early 17th Century works which beautifully document the decorative taste of an increasingly affluent society. The use of gold in screen paintings was perfected during the Momoyama period (1573-1615) when some of the finest screens were commissioned by the warrior elite. Many such examples are included in this collection, particularly of the Rimpa school which was extremely influential in defining the Japanese decorative arts tradition of the 17th and 18th centuries.

Silk Brocade Borders

All screens are available either with or without a brocade border. The screens shown in this catalogue depict the standard configuration which is held in stock, all other configurations can be ordered as a special order if required.

Sizes

Please note that the following images are not shown to scale. It is important to double check the sizes given next to each image.

Custom Orders

We are happy to undertake custom work for special projects. The variables are as follows:

Gold-metal ground or silver-metal ground or antiqued paper ground?

Black lacquer frame or natural wood frame?

Light or dark brocades, or no brocade at all?

The sizes we normally make for wall mounted screens range from the smallest at 63cm x 137cm to the largest 160cm x 345cm



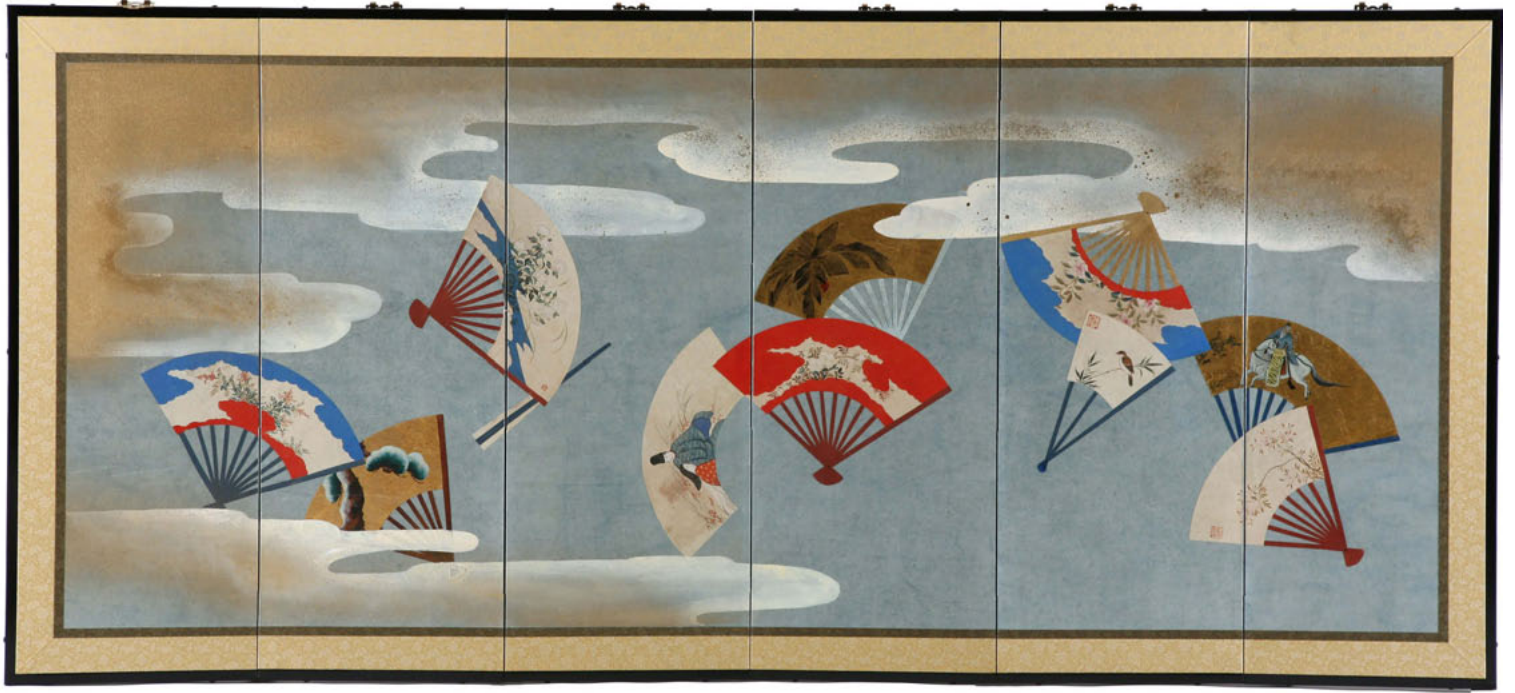
SSP-098 Tales of Genji

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-140 Fans

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-273 Fans

Size: 203cm x H 94cm



SSP-274 Sunset

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-250 Big Cats in the Bamboo

Size: 203cm x H 94cm



SSP-251 Leopard in the Bamboo

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-275 Cranes by the River

Size:137cm x 137cm



SSP-276 Cranes by the River

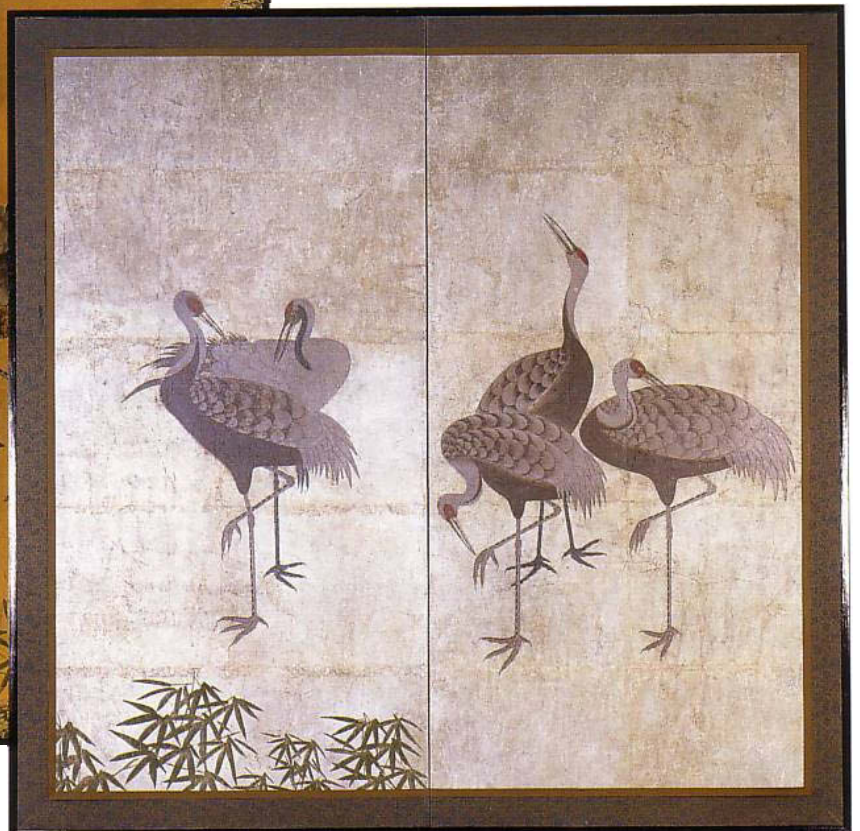
Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-298 Faithful Cranes with Pine and Plum Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-116 Standing Cranes
Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-116-S Silver Standing Cranes
Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-003-A Standing Cranes by River

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-020-A Standing Cranes

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-021-A Standing Cranes

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-020 Standing Cranes

Size: 345cm x H 160cm



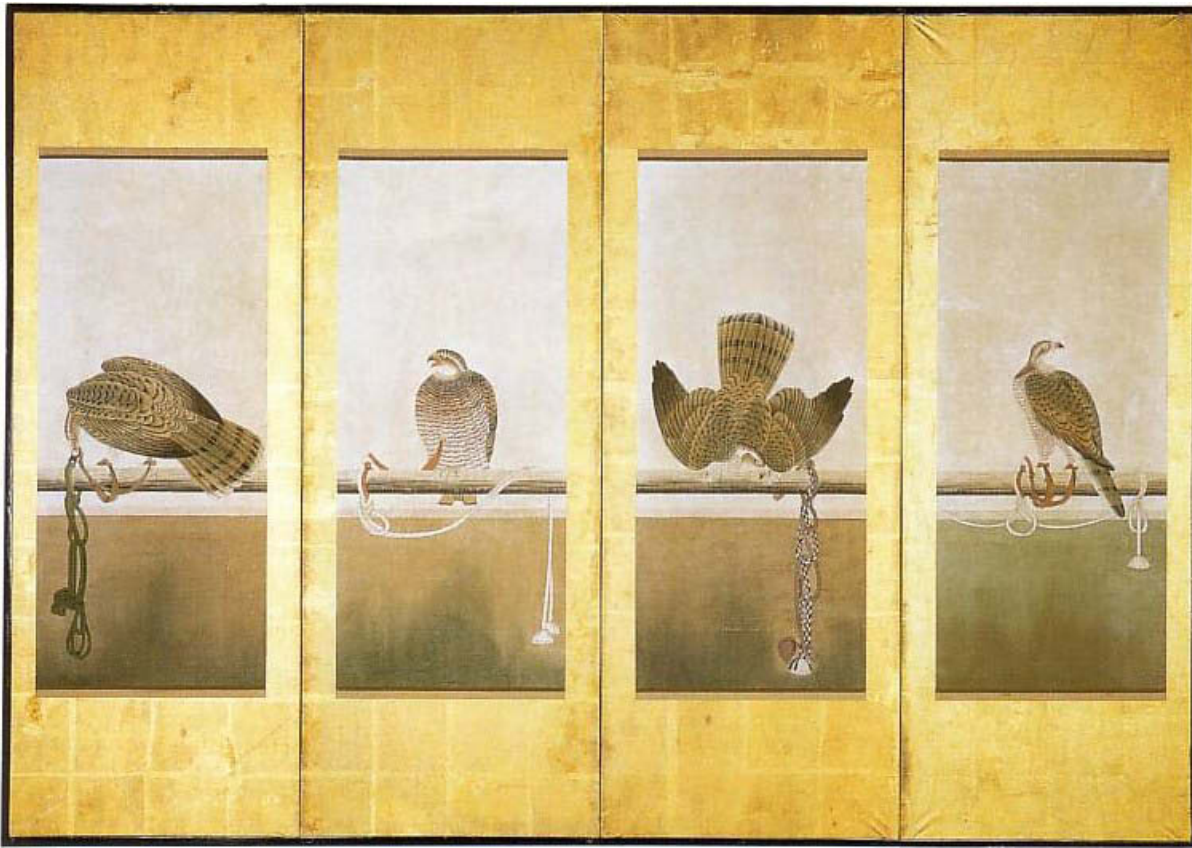
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SSP-003 Standing Cranes by River

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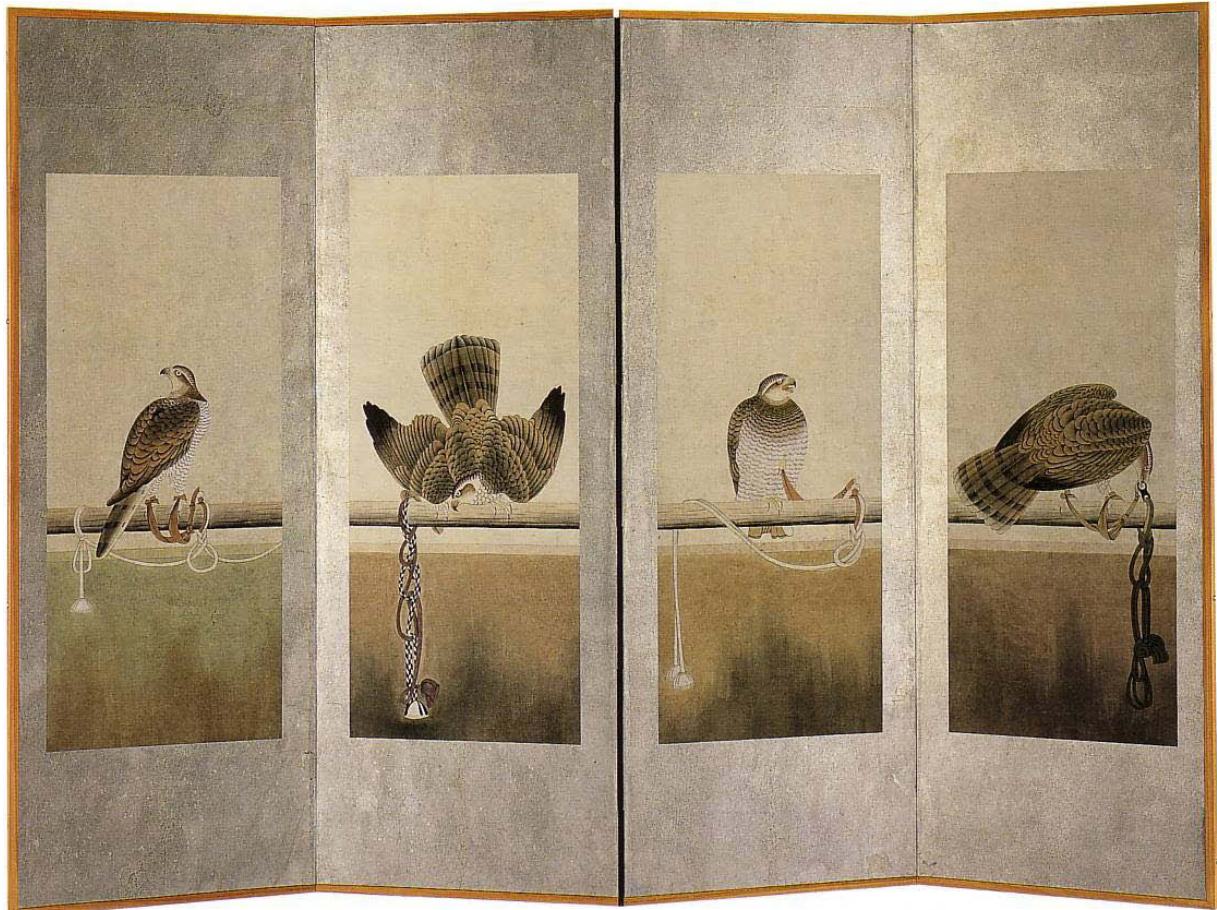
SSP-017-S Silver Hawks

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



Individual panels are also available to order

Size: 53cm x H 140cm

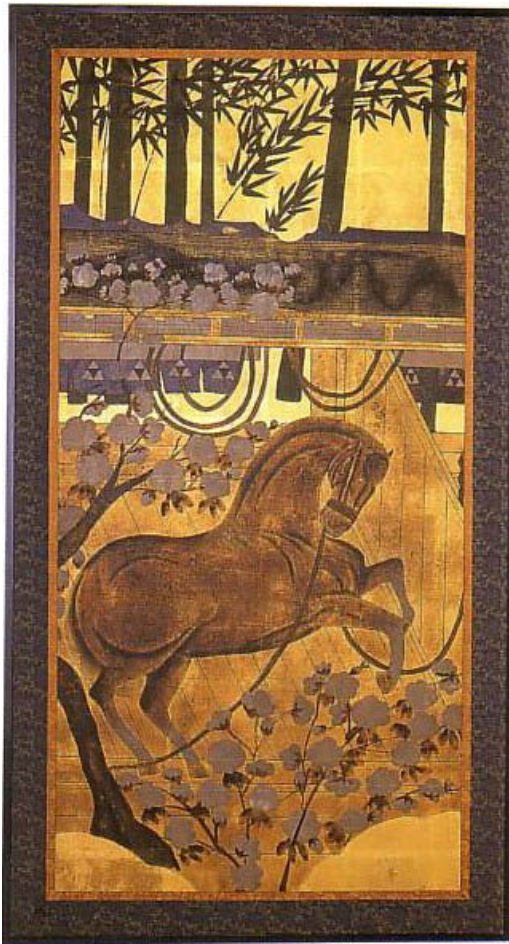


SSP-017-A Hawks

Size: 200cm x H 140cm

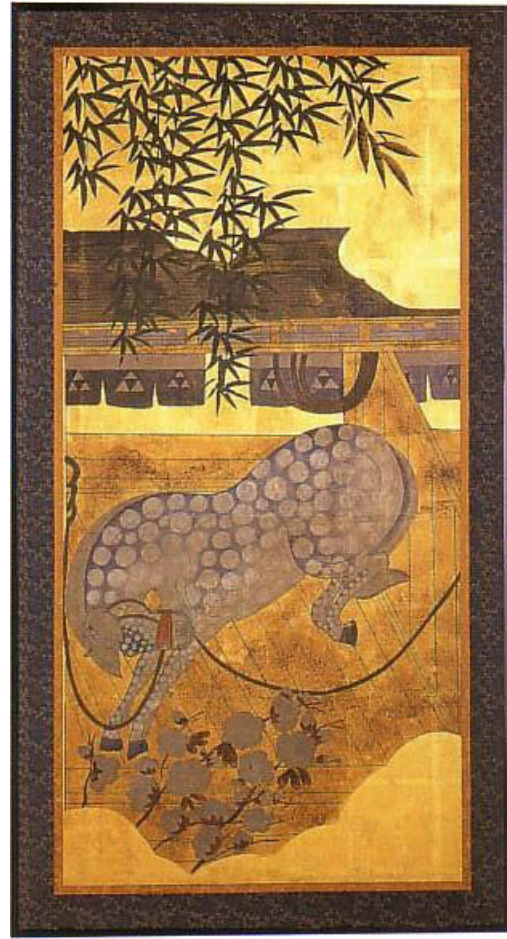
Also available as a 6 panel screen SSP-017

Size: 300cm x H 140cm



SSP-033 A&B Ponies

*Also available as a two panel screen SSP-033



Size: 74cm x H 137cm per panel

Size: 137cm 137cm



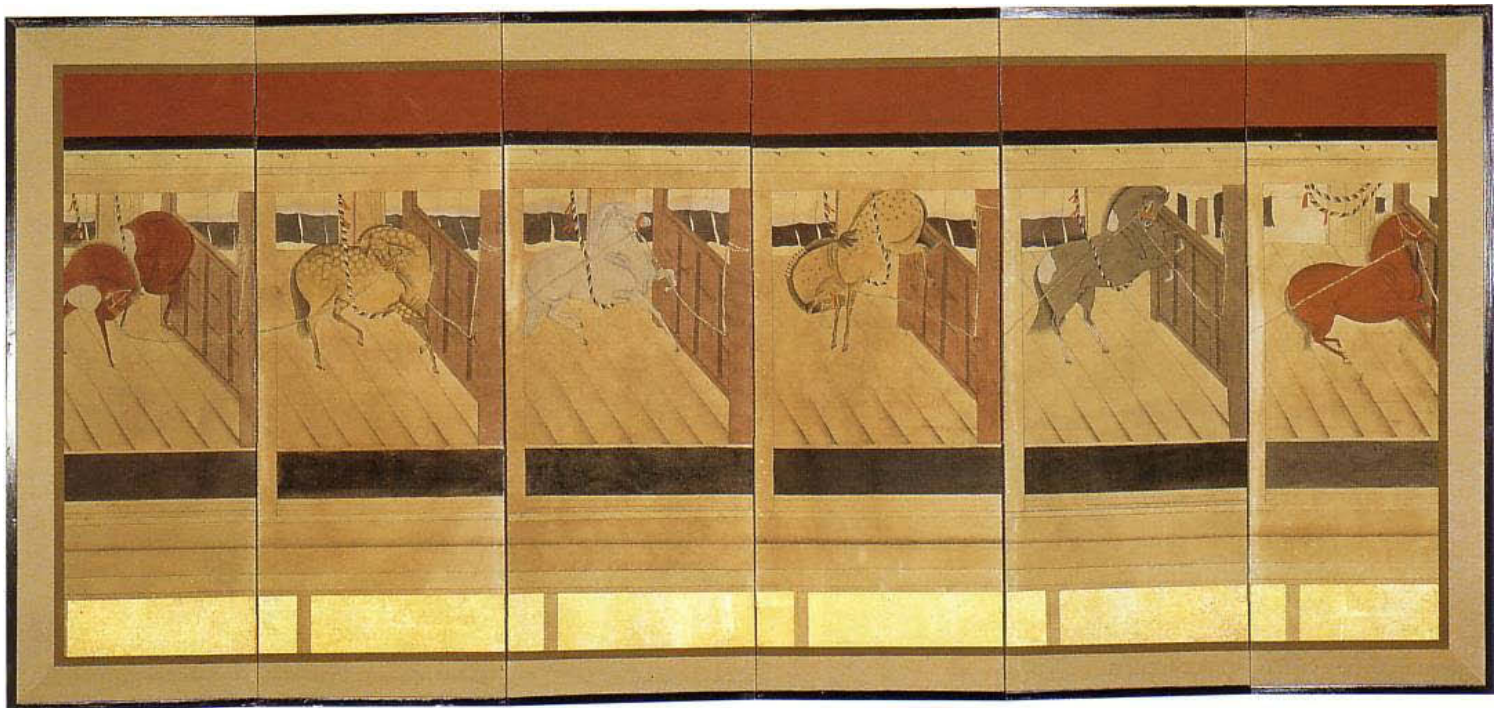
SSP-065 Ponies in a Stable

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-065-A Horses in a Stable

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-036 Ponies in a Stable

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-215 Horses and Grooms in the Stable

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-192 Warriors by the Sea

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-197-S Silver Grasses

Size: 135cm x H 94cm



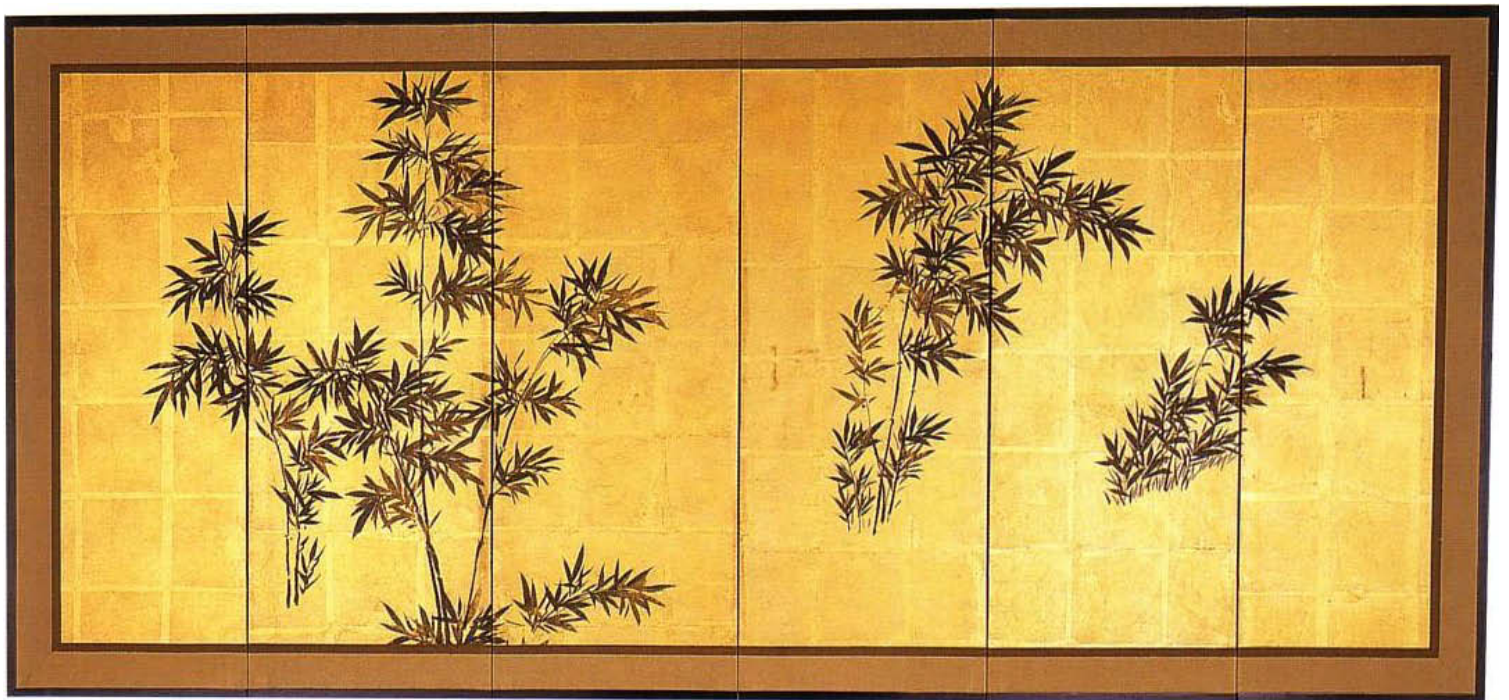
SSP-175 Zen Bamboo

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-152 Bamboo

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-022-A Bamboo

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-158 Green Bamboo

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-152-G Green Bamboo

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-167 Bamboo and Chops

137cm x H 64cm



SSP-166 Bamboo with Calligraphy

137cm x H 64cm



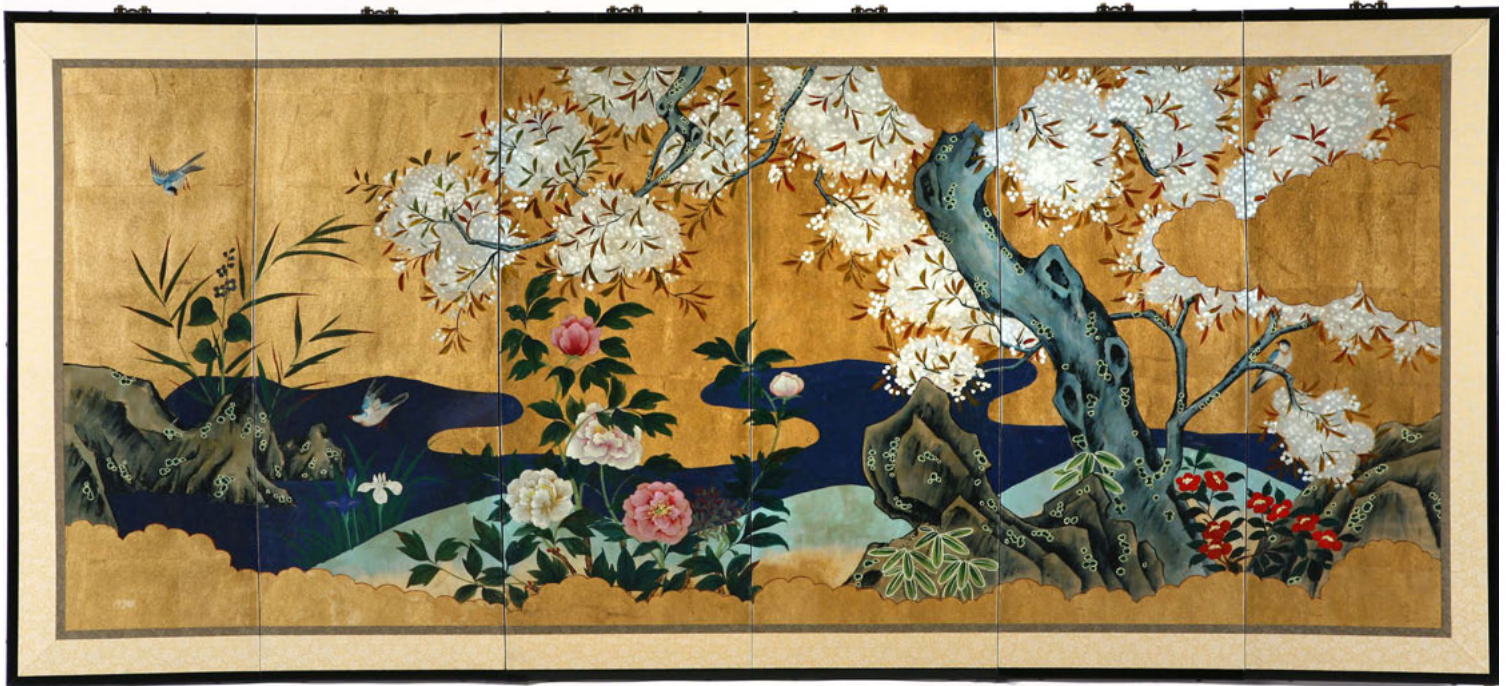
SSP-282 Cherry Blossom Branch

137cm x H 64cm



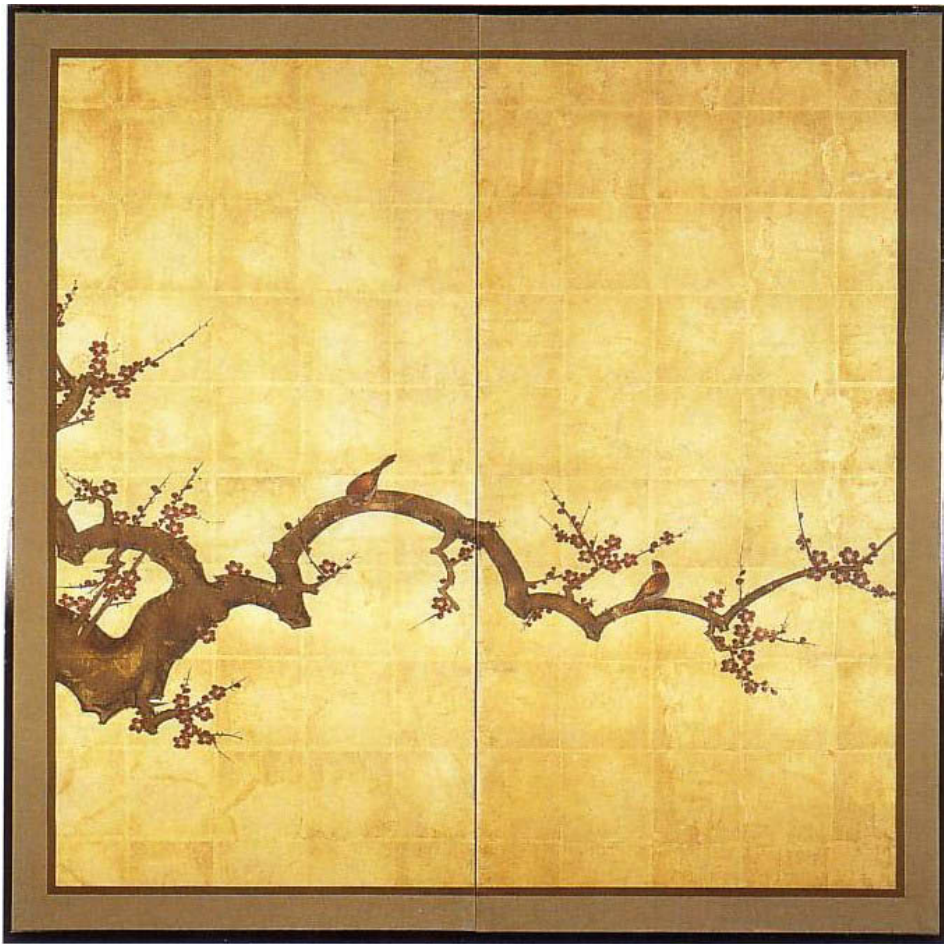
SSP-279 Chrysanthemums

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-280 Spring Scene

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-145 Cherry Blossom

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-141 Persimmon Tree

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-189 Persimmons Branch with Birds Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-205 Plum Blossom & Red Camelias

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-243 Tree Peonies & Spring Blossom

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-234 White Sakura Blossom

Size: 205cm x H 122cm



SSP-193 Frozen Pine Trees

Size: 244cm x H 122cm



SSP-264 Wisteria and Peonies

Size: 137cm x 137cm



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SSP-296 Wisteria and Narcissus

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-281 Wisteria above the pond

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-277

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-278

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-286 A Winter Landscape of Egret

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-157 Flying Egrets

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-078 Gibbons

Also available as SSP-078-A

Size: 145cm x H 169cm

Size: 137cm x H 137cm



SSP-293 Pink & White Spring Blossom
with Sun

Size: 76cm x H 152cm



SSP-247 Pidgeon

Size: 71cm x H 99cm



SSP-240 Lotus Pond and Ducks

Size: 152cm x H 122cm



SSP-219 Paulownia & Chrysanthemums Size: 137cm x 137cm



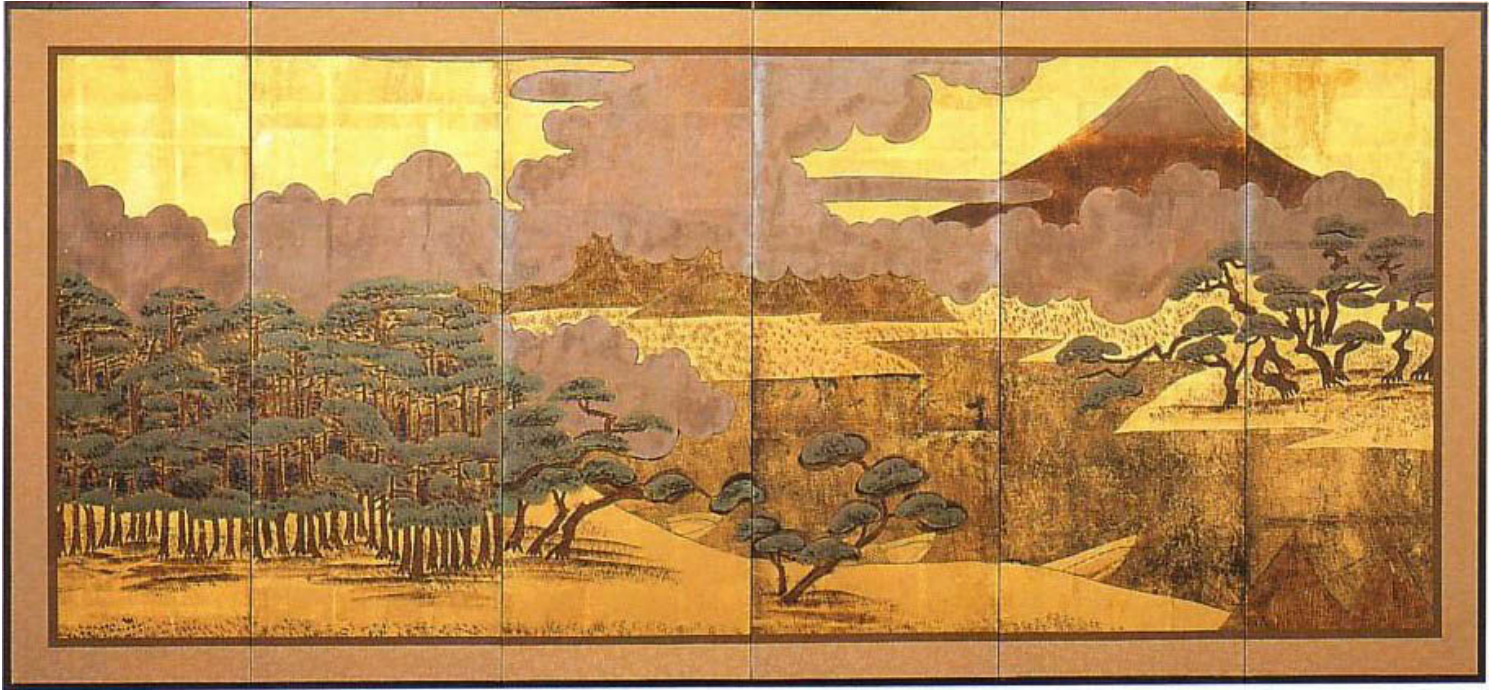
SSP-224 Lotus and Leaves

Size: 46cm x H 122cm



SSP-213 Brown Lotus Leaves

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-056 Mount Fuji

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-052 Pine Trees

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-034 Iris with Bridge

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-144-S Irises

Size: 107cm x H 122cm



SSP-035 Iris

Size: 145cm x H 170cm



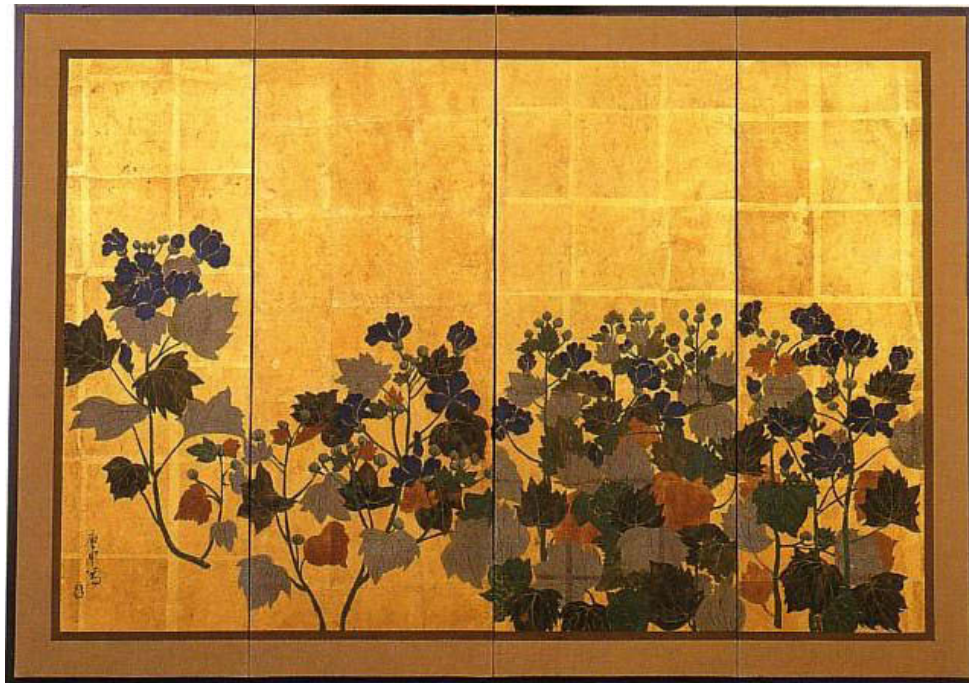
SSP-176 Scattered Iris

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-023-A Flowers on the Hill

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-142 Mallows

Size: 13cm x H 95cm



SSP-143 Maple Tree

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-151 Summer Flowers

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-291 Red & White Plum Blossom

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-289 Red & White Plum Blossom

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-287 An Autumn Maple by Waters Edge

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-007-A Camelias

Size: 137cm x 137cm

*Also available as SSP-007

Size: 193cm x H168cm



SSP-012-A Red & White Hollyhocks

Size: 107cm x 122cm

*Also available as SSP-012

Size: 150cm x H180cm



SSP-015-A Flowering Grasses Size: 107cm x H 122cm



SSP-016-A Flowering Grasses Size: 107cm x H 122cm



SSP-146 Weeping Cherry

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-148 Chrysanthemums & Fence

Size: 200cm x H 140cm



SSP-164 Flying Cranes

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-077 Grouse by the River

Size: 205cm x H 95cm



SSP-024 Grouse

Size: 230cm x H 160cm



SSP-297 Water Fowl in a gentle landscape 137cm x 137cm



SSP-043 White Peonies

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-147 Yellow Hibiscus Flowers

Size: 137cm x 137cm



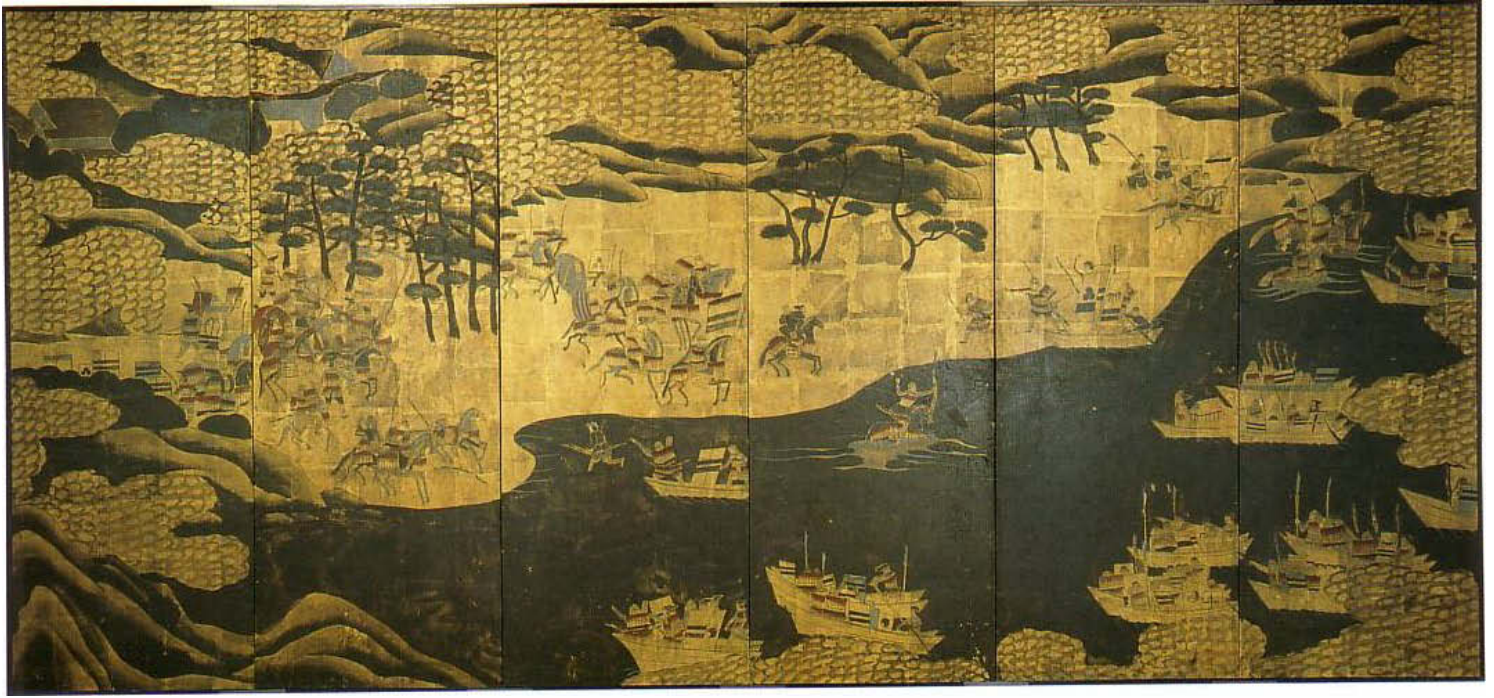
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Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-284 Peacocks

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-018 Battle of Yashima

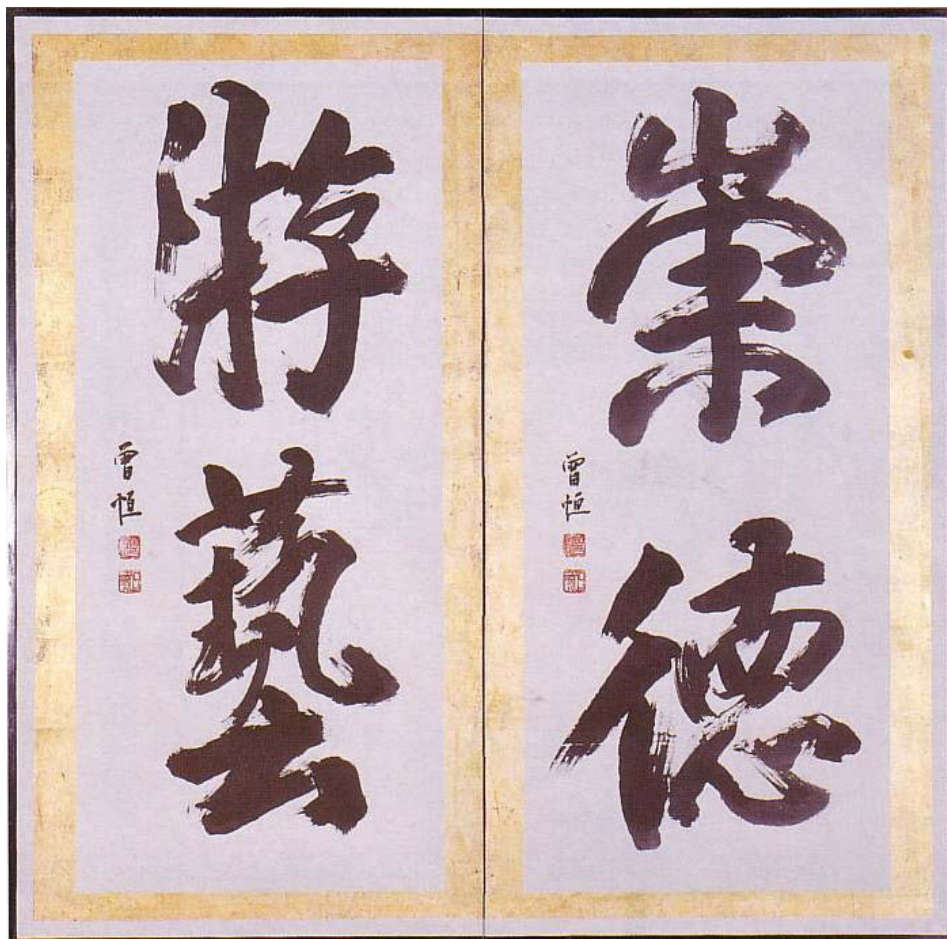
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SSP-044 Archer Panel
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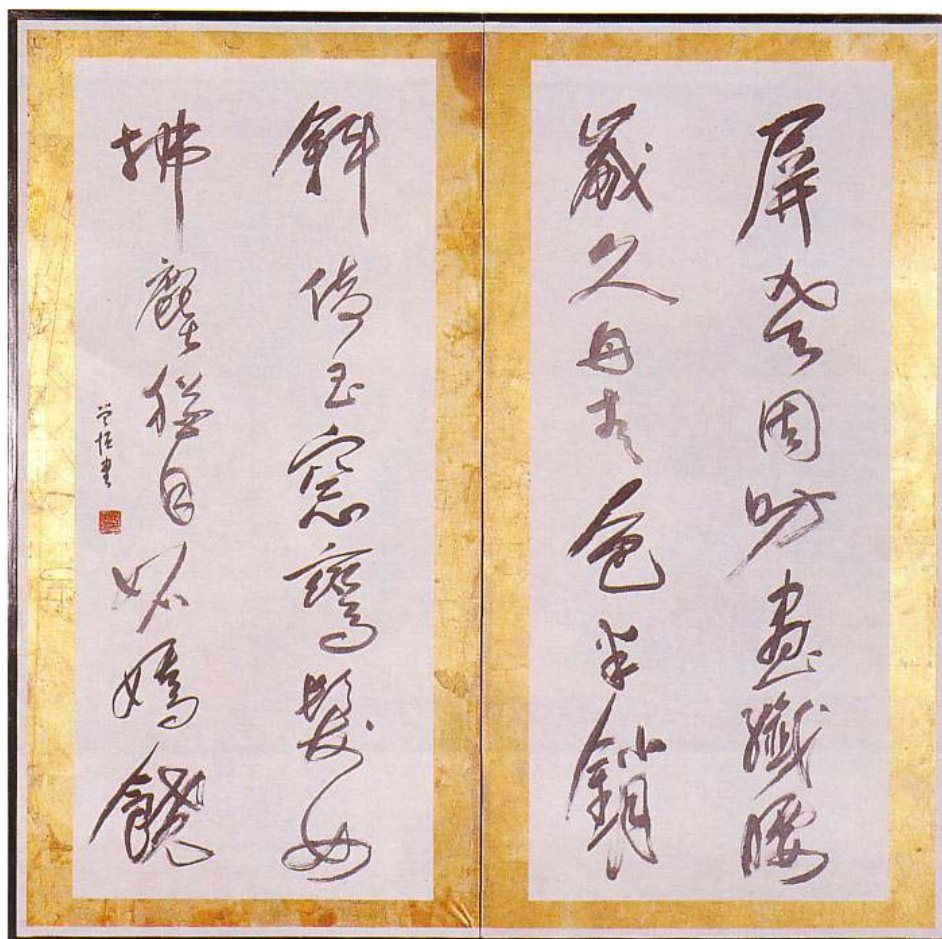


SSP-045 Archer Panel
Size: 53cm x H 140cm



SSP-070 Calligraphy

Size: 137cm x 137cm



SSP-070 'Running Script' Calligraphy

Size: 137cm x 137cm