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Antiquities & Ancient Jewelry - December 9, 2005

Sold: \$10,884,400 Lots offered: 423 Lots sold: 335 £: \$1.75/€:\$1.18
£6,219,657 Sold by lot: 79% Sold by \$: 90% Sale No: 1584/1583
€9,224,067

COMMENT: "Absolutely amazing results today," said G. Max Bernheimer, Christie's International Specialist for Antiquities. "The combined total for *Ancient Jewelry*, *Ancient Egyptian Art from the Harer Family Trust*, and *Antiquities* was \$14.5 million, the second highest total in the history of the department. The superb granite figure of Queen Nefertari set a world-record for an Egyptian work of art at auction at \$2,256,000, only to be eclipsed later by the spectacular Old Kingdom Egyptian group statue of Ka-nefer, which sold to the Kimbell Art Museum for the new world-record of \$2,816,000. Other notables were the Roman over life-sized bronze portrait of the Emperor Antoninus Pius which soared to \$2,256,000, the Greek terracotta figure of Alexander the Great which sold for \$553,600, and the Roman marble centaureomachy sarcophagus which achieved \$486,400. Today's results solidify Christie's as the world's undisputed leading auctioneer for ancient art."

LOT	PRICE	ESTIMATE	BUYER
48	\$2,816,000 £1,609,142/€2,386,440	\$1,000,000-1,500,000	Kimbell Art Museum, An Egyptian limestone group statue of Ka-nefer and his family, Old Kingdom, Fort Worth, Texas Dynasty V, 2465-2323 B.C.

WORLD AUCTION RECORD FOR AN EGYPTIAN ANTIQUITY

326	\$2,256,000 £1,289,142/€1,011,864	\$1,000,000-1,500,000	U.S. Private
A Roman over lifesized bronze portrait of the Emperor Antoninus Pius, Antonine Period, Circa mid 2 nd century A.D.			

193	\$553,600 £316,342/€469,152	\$300,000-500,000	Private
A Greek terra cotta figure of Alexander the Great, Hellenistic Period, Circa late 4 th -early 3 rd century			

330	\$486,400 £277,942/€412,203	\$200,000-300,000	U.S. Private
A Roman marble sarcophagus panel, Antonine Period, circa 160 A.D.			

316	\$307,200 £175,542/€260,338	\$100,000-150,000	U.S. Private
A Roman marble head of Apollo, circa 130-150 A.D.			

200	\$240,000 £137,142/€203,389	\$60,000-80,000	U.S. Private
A Greek marble bust of Aphrodite, Hellenistic Period, circa 3 rd -2 nd century B.C.			

49	\$120,000 £68,571/€101,694	\$100,000-150,000	Private
An Egyptian limestone relief of Ipi, Old Kingdom, Dynasty V, 2465-2323 B.C.			

50	\$120,000 £68,571/€101,694	\$100,000-150,000	Private
An Egyptian limestone relief for Ipi, Old Kingdom, Dynasty V, 2465-2323 B.C.			

172	\$108,000 £61,714/€91,525	\$100,000-150,000	Private
A Greek bronze Corinthian helmet, Archaic Period, circa mid 6 th century B.C.			

57	\$102,000 £58,285/€86,440	\$35,000-45,000	European Private
An Egyptian granite head from a block statue, New Kingdom, Dynasty XVIII,			

Reign of Amenhotep II, 1427-1401 B.C.