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## HANDBAGS & ACCESSORIES AUCTION in Hong Kong Totalled HK\$37,493,750/US\$4,836,701

## NEW WORLD RECORD PRICE ACHIEVED FOR ANY HANDBAG SOLD AT AUCTION



AN EXCEPTIONAL, MATTE WHITE HIMALAYA NILOTICUS CROCODILE DIAMOND BIRKIN 30 WITH 18K WHITE GOLD & DIAMOND HARDWARE

HERMÈS, 2014

Hong Kong – Christie's Handbags & Accessories Spring Sale totalled HK\$37,493,750/US\$4,836,701.

The top lot of the sale (illustrated above) was an *Exceptional, Matte White Himalaya Niloticus Crocodile Diamond Birkin 30 with 18K White Gold & Diamond Hardware*, Hermès, 2014, achieving HK\$2,940,000/ US\$379,261 against its pre-sale estimates of HK\$ 1,500,000 - HKD 2,000,000/ USD 193,432 - USD 257,909, and setting a new world record price for any handbag sold at auction.

Other highlights include:

Lot 3447	A RARE, MATTE WHITE HIMALAYA NILOTICUS CROCODILE RETOURNÉ KELLY 25 WITH PALLADIUM HARDWARE, HERMÈS, 2015	Price realised: HK\$1,187,500/ US\$153,188
Lot 3446	A RARE, MATTE WHITE HIMALAYA NILOTICUS CROCODILE BIRKIN 35 WITH PALLADIUM HARDWARE, HERMÈS, 2012	Price realised: HK\$975,000/ US\$125,775

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Lot 3347	A RARE, SHINY OMBRÉ SALVATOR LIZARD SELLIER KELLY 25 WITH PALLADIUM HARDWARE, HERMÈS, 2011	Price realised: HK\$937,500/ US\$120,938	
Lot 3511	AN EXCEPTIONAL, SHINY BLEU ROI POROSUS CROCODILE DIAMOND BIRKIN 35 WITH 18K WHITE GOLD & DIAMOND HARDWARE, HERMÈS, 2012	Price realised: HK\$875,000/ US\$ 112,875	
Lot 3445	A RARE, MATTE WHITE HIMALAYA NILOTICUS CROCODILE BIRKIN 25 WITH PALLADIUM HARDWARE, HERMÈS, 2014	Price realised: HK\$ 875,000/ US\$112,875	
Lot 3452	A CUSTOM MATTE VANILLE, BOIS DE ROSE & MIMOSA ALLIGATOR RETOURNÉ KELLY 32 WITH GOLD HARDWARE, HERMÈS, 2016	Price realised HK\$825,000/ US\$106,425	

Winsy Tsang, Head of Sale, Handbags & Accessories, Christie's Hong Kong, commented: "With 93% sold by value and 91% by lot, we are delighted to report yet another strong season of auctions for handbags, culminating in a world record for the Himalaya Birkin. The diverse buying crowd in the saleroom, ranging from young enthusiasts to connoisseurs, proves that we were spot-on with our strategic sourcing approach resulting in a hugely successful sale that appeals to a wide spectrum of clients. We look forward to our sales later next month in London and New York."

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