



TWO PAIRS OF KOMAI STYLE MINIATURE VASES



A set of four miniature baluster-form vases in two matched pairs. One pair with a slender neck and gilt designs of birds in flight among foliage and flowers; the other with a more compact neck and gilt decoration of birds of prey among stylised trees. The rich black ground serves as a dramatic backdrop for the intricate gold inlay work typical of Komai style, developed in Kyoto and celebrated for its meticulous detail and refined contrast.

All four vases are in very good condition, no visible cracks or restorations. Expected light rubbing in high-relief areas and occasional small surface marks consistent with age and handling.

Period: Meiji era, 1868-1912

Provenance: Japan

Materials: Gilded metal

Manufacturer: Unknown (possibly the Komai workshop)

Dimensions: 3.7H x 1.4D in | 9.5H x 3.5D cm
